Call for proposals - ISAN 2021

The Executive Committee of the International Society for Autonomic Neuroscience (ISAN) hereby calls upon its members for formal proposals to host the 12th Congress of ISAN in 2021.

Background

Each ISAN congress brings together basic scientists and clinicians with an interest in Autonomic Neuroscience. Previous meetings have been held in: Cairns [Australia; 1997], London [United Kingdom; 2000], Calgary [Canada; 2003], Marseille [France, 2005], Kyoto [Japan, 2007], Sydney [Australia, 2009], Buzios [Brazil, 2011], Giessen [Germany, 2013], Stresa [Italy, 2015] and Nagoya [Japan, 2017].

The 11th Congress will be held in Los Angeles in 2019. ISAN meetings generally attract around 400 registered participants. More information can be found on the society web site: www.autonomicneuroscience.info. Questions should be sent to the President, Prof Bruno Bonaz (Email: president@autonomicneuroscience.info) or International Secretary, Dr Keith Brain (int-sec@autonomicneuroscience.info).

Application Process. There is no specific form for this call, but all proposals should include:

- a) A list of 1-3 proposers, who would be expected to form the core of a local organizing committee. At least one of these must be a member of ISAN.
- b) A brief outline (less than 1 A4 page) summarizing the experience the proposers have in running meetings of a comparable size or complexity.
- c) A location, proposed venue (or venues) and preliminary dates (based on previous meetings, popular dates would be between June and late-September 2021).
- d) An outline of the accommodation options for delegates and transport options to and from the proposed venues.
- e) A preliminary budget, including expected registration and typical accommodation costs on the basis of 300 participants. Note that a modest seed loan may be available from ISAN.
- f) Any other information that the proposers feel would strengthen their case. This might include:
 - A proposal to jointly host the meeting with a local, regional or international society. For example, recent meeting have very successfully co-hosted with the European Federation of Autonomic Nervous System Societies (EFAS), the American Autonomic Society (AAS) and the Japan Society for Neurovegetative Research (JSNR) yet other meetings have run independently.
 - An outline of why the particular proposal would be of strategic interest for the field of Autonomic Neuroscience or the aims and objectives of ISAN.
 - A meeting theme (optional).
 - A description of local attractions.

Deadline for Proposals

All submissions should be sent be email to the International Secretary (int sec@autonomicneuroscience.info) by Monday 31st May 2018.

Assessment

All submissions received by the deadline will be considered by the full executive committee.