



# International Society for Autonomic Neuroscience

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## Call for proposals - ISAN 2026

The Executive Committee of the International Society for Autonomic Neuroscience (ISAN) hereby calls upon its members for formal proposals to host the 14<sup>th</sup> Congress of ISAN in 2026.

### **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], Nagoya [Japan, 2017], Los Angeles [USA, 2019] and Cairns [Australia, 2022].

The 13<sup>th</sup> Congress will be held at The Universities of Oxford and Birmingham on July 24-27, 2024.

ISAN meetings generally attract around 300-400 registered participants. More information can be found on the society web site: [www.autonomicneuroscience.info](http://www.autonomicneuroscience.info)

Questions should be sent to the President, Prof Valentin Pavlov ([vpavlov@northwell.edu](mailto:vpavlov@northwell.edu)) or International Secretary, Prof Vaughan Macefield ([vaughan.macefield@monash.edu](mailto:vaughan.macefield@monash.edu)).

**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 2026).
- 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 meetings have 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), although 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 by email to the International Secretary ([vaughan.macefield@monash.edu](mailto:vaughan.macefield@monash.edu)) by **April 30, 2024**.

### **Assessment**

All submissions received by the deadline will be considered by the Executive Committee.