



**CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)**  
**TO ORGANIZE THE**  
**XVIII WORLD CONGRESS OF COMPARATIVE EDUCATION SOCIETIES (2022)**  
**DEADLINE for EOI submission: 25 March 2019**

The World Council of Comparative Education Societies receives Expression of Interest (EOI) to organize the XVIII World Congress of Comparative Education Societies to be held in 2022.

EOI may be put to the The Election Task Force (ETF) by any paid-up constituent society or a group of paid-up constituent societies (irrespective of their geographical location) with the following information:

- An official note signed by the Society's President or Presidents of a group of societies endorsing the EOI.
- A formal proposal including:
  - Organizer Society/ies.
  - Institutional and Academic Supporters
  - Proposed Dates for the Congress
  - Theme and Thematic Groups
  - Venue
  - Transportation
  - Accommodation
  - Tourism & Pre-Post Congress Tours
  - Budget
  - Registration Fees
  - If interest-free loan of USD 10000 from WCCES would be availed
  - General Timeline (2019 – 2022)

Note: The EOI is a proposal. Its content will be discussed at length by WCCES authorities if its bid wins in the election.

**Timeline**

- EoI submissions: Up to March 25<sup>th</sup> 2019.
- ETF communicates valid EoI received to the Bureau: March 27<sup>th</sup> 2019.
- The Bureau communicates EoIs for WCCES 2022 Congress organization to the Executive Committee: to be defined (after March Bureau meeting).
- EoI consultation period (by EC voting members): 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019.
- Electronic Vote: 28<sup>th</sup> April to 4<sup>th</sup> May 2019.
- Official declaration: Cancun Executive Committee meeting.



## **Mandatory requirements for world congress organizers as per WCCES By-laws**

7.2.1 There should be a commitment by the host Society to unrestricted participation of all researchers, scholars and graduate students wishing to attend.

7.2.2 The Council should be advised by the host Society of any restriction which may apply to persons coming to the Congress from within the host country or from other countries. It is the presumption that all scholars, as defined in Criterion 7.2.1 of Article 7.2, shall be free to attend and participate without restriction.

7.2.3 The Council requires compliance with internationally agreed principles, such as those of UNESCO and of the United Nations, in every respect of the conduct of the proposed Congress to which these might apply. In particular, internationally recognized standards of academic freedom, free exchange of ideas and human rights should be observed.

### **Election process**

- Who May Vote:
  - According to WCCES' By-Laws, only designated representatives of paid-up constituent member societies are eligible to vote electronically
- Electronic Vote:
  - The WCCES Director of Communications will provide an electronic voting platform.
- Ballot process:
  - Valid votes: Each society may only vote for one EoI or abstain (blank vote).
  - Election will be handled by the Director of Communication under ETF supervision.
  - The WCCES President will announce the winner of the election and only communicate the final result of the ballot based on the total number of Executive Committee voting members. The winner society/ies of the election bid will be asked to propose a mutually-agreed candidate at the Cancun Executive Committee meeting to serve as the WCCES Vice President (By-law 4.2).
  - If by chance a tie were to take place, new rounds of ballot will take place with the two most voted EoIs until one of them receives a majority vote by opening a new election period from 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> May.
  - The ETF will be the main authority on any election matters and solve them in the framework of WCCES Statutes and By-Laws.

### **Submissions and enquiries should be sent to:**

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