CALL FOR SITE PROPOSALS

SITES FOR THE 17TH CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GENOCIDE SCHOLARS

2025

DEADLINE EXTENDED

Deadline for site proposals: 1 March 2023

The International Association of Genocide Scholars (IAGS) is soliciting proposals for local hosts and venues for our 17th biennial meeting to be held during the summer of 2025. Past conferences have been held at the College of William and Mary, Virginia, USA (1995); Concordia University, Montreal, Canada (1997); the University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA (1999); the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, USA (2001); the Irish Human Rights Centre of the National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland (2003); Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, USA (2005); University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina (2007); George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia, USA (2009); UNTREF, Buenos Aires, Argentina (2011); University of Siena, Siena, Italy (2013); University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada (2014); the Armenian Genocide Museum and Institute/American University of Armenia, Yerevan, Armenia (2015); and University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia (2017); American University of Phnom Penh, Cambodia (2019) and virtually in 2021. The next meeting year’s conference will be held at the University of Barcelona in July 2023.

IAGS conferences typically feature several plenary sessions and keynote speakers, as well as concurrent thematic panels where approximately 250-450 papers are presented over a 4 to 5-day timeframe. IAGS conferences are collaborative endeavors that bring together and capitalize on the expertise and experience of both the host institution and IAGS. The 2025 conference will be organized by a joint Conference Committee of equal membership from the IAGS and from the hosting group(s). The committee will be responsible for the content planning as well as work together on logistics, when necessary. Among the items the Conference Committee will deal with are: the selection of keynote speakers and special events, development and implementation of the peer-review process for paper and panel proposals that is based on the criteria determined by IAGS as consistent with its mission as a scholarly organization, and the development of principles and protocols for interactions with external groups (media, national and international governments, etc.).

Proposals should contain the following information:
1. Brief description of proposed host institution(s) and name, telephone number, and e-mail address of contact person(s).
2. Proposed dates of the conference, bearing in mind past conference dates and appropriate dates in the academic year for Northern and Southern hemisphere academic commitments.
3. A provisional budget.
5. Ability of host institution to provide partial or complete subvention of:
   a. Expenses and honoraria for keynote speakers,
   b. Meals and coffee breaks, and
   c. Housing (especially for students, participants from developing countries, and participants whose institutions cannot pay their travel, meeting and lodging expenses).
6. Ability of host institution to provide complete subvention for provision of meeting rooms, audio-visual resources, and translation (if organized).
7. Available accommodations for conference participants (should include cost of rooms and distance of hotel/dormitory from meeting site).
8. Ability of host institution to facilitate hybrid participation for those who cannot physical attend the venue (this includes but is not limited to rooms with the technology to allow for simless remote participation).
9. Provision for meeting rooms for plenary sessions (for up to 300 participants) and for individual panels (for as many as 50 or more participants each). A map of meeting rooms including capacity for each and proximity to each other and to places of lodging and meals should be included.
10. Availability of audio-visual resources, including microphones (stand-alone and wireless), white boards, computers, data projectors, etc.
11. Availability of simultaneous translation (from English to any locally spoken language and vice versa) for keynote events.
12. Capacity to organize banquet services, meals, and coffee breaks.
13. Capacity to prepare conference materials (program schedule, handouts, and conference gifts, such as pens, bags, notebooks, etc).
14. Capacity to coordinate or facilitate communication with presenters (proposal acceptance, bio, title, papers, etc.), local publishers or museums (book sales, book exhibit, etc), potential advertisers, and with the IAGS Executive Board and website manager.
15. Plan for participation of local scholars and others in the conference, particularly from indigenous communities.
16. Capacity to create a conference website.
17. Hosting institution’s commitment to sustainability and how this will be implemented for the conference.
18. Organization of opportunities for associated sightseeing excursions, commemorative events, etc.
19. Any special reasons why the conference should be held in the proposed location.
If you are submitting a bid, it is *highly recommended* that you familiarize yourself with our most recent conferences, including IAGS2019 (Phnom Penh), to ensure a comprehensive understanding of how the conference runs and demonstrate commitment to the Association. Preliminary inquiries are welcome.

Previous conference websites or programs are available at:

- [Barcelona, Spain (virtual)](#) 2021
- [Phnom Penh, Cambodia](#) 2019
- [Brisbane, Australia](#) 2017
- [Yerevan, Armenia](#) 2015
- [Winnipeg, Canada](#) 2014

Proposals should be submitted electronically to:

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**NOTE: THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLETED PROPOSALS IS 1 MARCH 2023.**