

IASL Conference: Planning

CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR HOSTING AN IASL CONFERENCE

See also: [IASL Conference Planning and Management: A Handbook](#)

See also: [IASL Call for Proposals application form](#) (Word format).

See also: [IASL Suggested Budget Guidelines for an IASL Conference](#)

Applications close: 1 June 2017

1. Contact

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2. Purpose of holding the conference in our country

- to strengthen networking and links among librarians in the region with the school library world community
- to enable Croatian contribution in fostering development of school librarianship
- to support cooperation among (school) library associations and institutions worldwide
- to spread knowledge of IASL in Croatia and the region and increase the number of IASL members
- to provide better perception of the school libraries within the country and worldwide
- to provide for the Conference participants an interesting opportunity to exchange knowledge, experience and information in a lovely and relaxing venue

3. Three main objectives we wish to achieve in holding an IASL Conference in Croatia:

- to support IASL mission and bring it closer to the region
- to enable knowledge sharing and building of school librarians capacities

- to open forum for discussion on the basics – the interconnection of educational aims and school libraries goals

The main theme of the Conference is:

CONVERGENCE – EMPOWERING – TRANSFORMATION: SCHOOL LIBRARIES

According to the theme, the main goals would be:

- to promote sustainable progress of school libraries
- to discuss the school libraries mission in balance with the basic educational goals, particularly in the digital era
- to explore and discuss the transformation from the library in the school notion to the school in the library principle
- to identify differences in positioning education/educational systems and school libraries in a society in general, with some accent on Croatia and the region;
- to bring the goals for developing of school librarianship more familiar
- to create a wider basis for future cooperation.

4. Conference information

Proposed Conference theme:

CONVERGENCE – EMPOWERING – TRANSFORMATION: SCHOOL LIBRARIES

Conference date: 7-11 October 2017 or 21 - 25 October 2017

Conference venue: Hotel Valamar Lacroma, Dubrovnik, Croatia

<http://www.valamar.com/en/hotels-dubrovnik/valamar-lacroma-dubrovnik-hotel>

5. Organising body *mandatory for this proposal

Refer to the [Conference Manual](#)

* Conference Organising Chairperson: **Vanja Jurilj** (CASL)

* Programme Committee Chairperson: **Ivanka Stricevic**, PhD (Department of Information Sciences, University of Zadar) & **Mihaela Banek Zorica**, PhD (Department of Information Sciences, University of Zagreb)

* Local Arrangements Chairperson: **Ivana Carapina** (CASL) & **Ante Krstanovic** (Dubrovnik Sun)

- * Finances Chairperson: **Vanja Jurilj** (CASL) & **Ante Krstanovic** (Dubrovnik Sun)
- * Liaison person with the IASL Webmaster (including an email address): **Vedran Skarica** (CASL), e-mail: vedran.skarica@gmail.com & **Emanuel Blagonic** (Extendis)

Notes: Program includes sessions, traditional elements of an IASL conference, research forum. Local Arrangements include conference facilities, accommodation, transport, tours, social events, exhibition, and publicity as various sub-committees.

6. Support Institutions and Agencies

Ministry of Science and Education, Croatia: <https://mzo.hr/en>

National and University Library in Zagreb, Croatia: <http://www.nsk.hr/en/>

City of Dubrovnik: <https://www.dubrovnikcity.com/>

University of Zagreb, Croatia: <http://www.unizg.hr/homepage/>

University of Zadar, Croatia:

<http://www.unizd.hr/Home/tabid/5238/language/en-US/Default.aspx>

7. Proposed Conference Programme {draft only, with specific reference to traditional elements of an IASL conference}

Day Zero:

Preconference workshops

IASL Board and Executive Committee meetings

Excursions – Natural and cultural heritage of Croatia (Optional)

Day One:

(First timers gathering)

Opening ceremony

OPENING KEYNOTE

Parallel sessions: Research forum track (1 research paper) & Professional track (2 to 4 presentations)

IASL meetings: Windows on the World meeting

Welcome reception & IASL award celebration

(social event: traditional music and dances-live, cocktail party with domestic products)

Day Two:

KEYNOTE (or invited speaker)

Parallel sessions: Research forum track (1 research paper) & Professional track (2 to 4 presentations)

IASL meetings: Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Special Interest Groups (SIGs) - Library Education SIG and Research SIG

Excursion: Visiting the city of Dubrovnik - Old Town

Day Three:

KEYNOTE (or invited speaker)

Parallel sessions: Research forum track (1 research paper) & Professional track (2 to 4 presentations)

Poster presentation time

IASL meetings: Regional Meetings

Gala dinner, Social evening and Auction

Day Four:

Closing keynote speaker

Visiting school libraries

IASL Board and Executive Committee meetings

Day Five: (Optional)

Excursions – Natural and cultural heritage of Croatia

8. Proposed Budget (anticipated income and expenditure)

{Insert your budget here -- see [appendix I](#) for suggested budget guidelines}

Anticipated income: **183.500 USD**

Anticipated expenditure: **177.698 USD**

Estimated number of participants: **335 - 350**

Estimated registration fee: **250-500 USD**

Detailed budget draft is attached as Excel document!

9. Sources of Financial Support

Ministry of Science and Education, Croatia

Croatian National Tourist Board

City of Dubrovnik

Publishers, IT firms and other partners

10. Endorsement Statement

The Coordinator of the IASL Conference Vanja Jurilj to be held in Dubrovnik, Croatia, October 2019, agrees to the requirements for conference administration, programme and publication standards, and ensures that prime importance is placed on the traditional elements of IASL conferences and all these elements are included within the programme.

The Coordinator of the IASL Conference has read and understood the '[Partnership agreement for hosting an IASL Conference](#)' and the IASL '[Conference Planning and Management: a handbook](#)'.

11. Date submitted: 1 June 2017

Please email your proposal to the [IASL President](#) with copy to the [IASL Secretariat](#). Or mail your proposal to the [IASL Secretariat](#).