



Call for abstracts

XXII IFHE World Congress 2012 Melbourne, Australia

Monday 16 July – Saturday 21 July 2012

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

www.ifhe2012.org

The International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE) invites the submission of abstracts for World Congress 2012, addressing the theme **Global creativity and innovation: Developing capacities for sustainable futures.**

Guidelines for submission

- All proposals for presentations and exhibits require submission of an abstract at www.ifhe2012.org
- For submissions involving more than one presenter, the abstract is to be submitted by:
 - the **lead author** for individual papers, posters and exhibits
 - the **program committee chair** for program committee workshops
 - the **symposium chair** for all proposed symposia and panel or roundtable discussions.

Criteria for acceptance of presentations

- An individual may only submit two abstracts as lead author.
- Presentations will be selected on the basis of merit and relevance to the field of home economics and to the Congress theme.
- All full papers must be previously unpublished.
- All presenters must register and pay a full Congress registration by 31 March 2012 or the paper/presentation will be removed from the program.
- Responsibility for transport of accepted exhibit items to and from Congress lies with the individual artist/exhibitor. All such items must be the original work of the attributed artist/exhibitor.

Types of presentation

Individual paper: A 15–20 minute presentation (including time for questions) within a concurrent session block of 90 minutes. Although independent of other presentations, individual papers will be programmed according to the thematic stream and key words nominated by the author(s).

Papers that have a research basis will require identification on the online submission form through selection of research methodology. Abstracts for research papers should be set out with the following subheadings: Aim; Method(s); Results/findings; Conclusion.

Note: Full paper refereeing is available to all presenters (see 'Submission deadlines'). Papers should be 4000–6000 words in length and include the title, with no identification of the author/s throughout the uploaded document. Acceptance of full papers for presentation makes them eligible for publication in the *International Journal of Home Economics*.

Workshop: IFHE program committee chairs are encouraged to co-ordinate sessions that showcase and further their work and achievements since the previous IFHE World Congress and into the future. Chairs should submit an abstract as 'presenting author' and list other presenters as 'other authors'.

Poster: Please indicate in your abstract whether your poster is to be presented in digital or hard copy format (space will be provided for both). Authors will be required to be at Congress for a specified period for discussion of their posters. Specifications for posters will be confirmed upon acceptance.

Exhibit: IFHE invites exhibits that display and showcase the field of home economics, including textiles and culinary arts. All proposed textiles exhibits are to relate to the specific theme of *Green design*. Maximum dimensions are one square metre and each accepted piece must include a method for display either on a wall (e.g. a frame) or freestanding (e.g. a mannequin). Abstracts for textiles exhibits should be set out with the following subheadings: Materials; Techniques; Inspiration. Each textiles abstract should be accompanied by a photograph of the exhibit

(embed the photo into a Word document and use the 'Upload' function of the online form).

Symposium: IFHE invites proposals for group presentations focused on a relevant topic or issue. These 90-minute sessions may take the form of a symposium, panel discussion or roundtable forum. Proposals should be submitted by the session chair, with co-presenters listed as 'other authors'. Time should be allowed for questions, the drafting of conclusions and/or audience participation.

International collaboration: This is a supportive, facilitated session for those involved in research who may be seeking international collaboration for their projects. Each presentation will be strictly limited to five minutes as researchers share their proposals, progress and future requirements for the continuation of their project. At the end of the 90-minute session, time will be allocated for the sharing of information, ideas, business cards and general networking. Abstracts will outline the research project and pinpoint the potential benefits of international collaboration to the particular project.

Submission deadlines

1 June 2011: Closing deadline for abstracts where a full paper is to be submitted for refereeing (notification of acceptance for full paper submission will be sent by 30 June)

1 September 2011: Closing deadline for all other abstracts and submission of full papers to be refereed

15 December 2011: Notification of acceptance for all Congress presentations