CALL FOR SYMPOSIUM PROPOSALS

NURSING POWER TO CHANGE THE WORLD

ICN CONGRESS
9–13 June 2025
Helsinki – Finland

ORGANIZED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE FINNISH NURSES ASSOCIATION
The ICN 2025 Congress will take place in Helsinki, Finland, 9-13 June. This event will be a crucial gathering of thousands of nursing professionals, academics, leaders and esteemed speakers. As always, the ICN Congress will be a forum for an exchange of knowledge, fostering collaborative learning about health and health care, and delving into the nuanced strategies employed by nurses in navigating and redressing the multifaceted social determinants of health. Central to this discourse is the goal of achieving Universal Health Coverage and propelling the global health policy agenda forward.

With the overarching theme of “Nursing Power to Change the World,” this Congress underscores the formidable influence wielded by nurses in shaping the landscape of health care delivery. Congress underlines the fact that nurses make up nearly 60% of the world’s health workforce, emphasizing their profound capacity to affect lives across diverse health care settings, enhance accessibility to health care services, and significantly influence health policies across all levels of governance.

**THEME – NURSING POWER TO CHANGE THE WORLD**

- **SUB-THEME 1**
  Empowering nursing leadership – Catalyzing global health

- **SUB-THEME 2**
  Elevating health care excellence: Strategies for quality and safety in people-centred systems

- **SUB-THEME 3**
  Advancing nursing practice: Seize the moment!

- **SUB-THEME 4**
  Educating the nurse of tomorrow

- **SUB-THEME 5**
  The 'Triple S’ – A skilled, satisfied and sustainable workforce

- **SUB-THEME 6**
  Nursing in humanitarian and emergency contexts

- **SUB-THEME 7**
  Technology 4.0 – The era of connectivity, advanced analytics and automation

- **SUB-THEME 8**
  Towards a healthier world – The strategic influence of nursing on global health priorities

- **SUB-THEME 9**
  Upholding integrity and excellence – Nursing ethics and regulation

**INVITATION TO NNAS AND PARTNERS TO SUBMIT A SYMPOSIUM PROPOSAL**

ICN is pleased to invite its members and partners to submit a proposal to host a one-hour symposium at the ICN 2025 Congress. These symposia provide an ideal forum to showcase your work or message to a global audience. We are looking for innovative ideas that can inspire and inform nurses across the world. Examples of the types of symposia that are possible include:

1. Abstract-based symposia: a linked series of abstracts around a specific theme
2. Workshops: a specific, action-oriented purpose and aim to generate some concrete answers to current problems in the field
3. Other
ABOUT THE SYMPOSIA

- Length – 60 minutes
- Format – in person
- May be hosted in English, Spanish or French
- Interactive if desired, including a panel discussion
- Proposals need to align to the Congress theme and sub-themes
- Proposals will only be accepted from ICN members and partners
- Free of charge

KEY DATES

2 AUGUST 2024
Opening of online submission of abstracts for symposia

30 SEPTEMBER 2024
Closing of online submission of abstracts for symposia

BY END OF NOVEMBER 2024
Applicants notified of acceptance

25 JANUARY 2025
Early bird registration deadline ends

25 FEBRUARY 2025
Extended early bird deadline for symposia presenters*

9 JUNE 2025
ICN 2025 Congress opens

*Presenters and session organizers MUST register for ICN 2025 by the above date to confirm attendance. Presenters/session organizers who have not registered by this date will have their abstracts removed from the programme.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

NAME, POSITION
Contact person for the submission

NNA/PARTNER(S) SUBMITTING PROPOSAL
There may be one or more NNAs or partners that are submitting a symposium proposal. It is encouraged that NNAs or partners work together to submit a symposium proposal.

PRESENTERS
Names, titles and contact information of the proposed presenters (affiliation and e-mail)

SESSION TITLE
The title of the symposium

SUMMARY
A brief description of the symposium – up to 250 words

SUB-THEME/S
Which sub-theme or sub-themes does the proposal relate to?

ABOUT
Please outline how the session might run and the innovative aspects of the symposium.

OUTCOME
Please outline the potential outcomes of the symposium if it were held.
IMPORTANT

- Although ICN will take all proposals into consideration, modifications may be suggested to individual proposals in the final symposia programme.
- Please note that due to limited symposium slots, only high-quality proposals will be accepted.

HOW TO SUBMIT

- Proposals must be submitted to the online symposium abstract submission system, which will open on 2 August 2024. The link will be available on the ICN website.
- For further information, please contact Hoi Shan Fokeladeh at woo@icn.ch.

DEADLINE

- Please submit your symposium proposal by 30 September 2024. No further proposal submissions will be accepted after this date.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

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