



CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)
TO ORGANIZE THE
VI WCCES SYMPOSIUM 2025,
VII WCCES SYMPOSIUM 2026,
&
XIX WORLD CONGRESS OF COMPARATIVE EDUCATION SOCIETIES 2027

DEADLINE for EOI submission: June 25, 2024

The World Council of Comparative Education Societies invites Expression of Interest (EOI) to organize VI WCCES Symposium in 2025, VII WCCES Symposium in 2026, and XIX World Congress of Comparative Education Societies in 2027.

EOI may be put to the Election Task Force (ETF) by a team of fully paid-up (membership dues fully paid till 2024) constituent societies (at least two societies in a team, irrespective of their geographical location) in a single file with the following information on each of the above 3 events:

- An official note signed by Presidents of a team of societies endorsing the EOI.
- A formal proposal including:
 - Organizer Society/ies.
 - Institutional and Academic Supporters
 - Proposed Dates for the Symposia and the Congress
 - Theme and Thematic Groups
 - Venue
 - Transportation
 - Accommodation
 - Tourism & Pre-Post Congress Tours
 - Budget
 - Registration Fees (to be collected directly by WCCES including any funding/ grants)
 - General Timeline (2024 – 2027)

Note: The EOI is a proposal. Its content will be discussed at length by WCCES authorities if its bid wins in the election. WCCES will create and maintain the website(s) of all these events.

Timeline

- EoI submissions: Until June 25, 2024.
- ETF communicates valid EoIs received to the Bureau: June 26, 2024.
- The Bureau will communicate EoIs to the Executive Committee: June 30, 2024 (after June 2024 Bureau meeting).
- EoI consultation period (by EC voting members): July 1 to July 2, 2024.



- Electronic Vote: July 3 to July 9, 2024.
- Official declaration: Ithaca (New York, USA) 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 Chair of the Election Task Force 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 Chair of the Election Task Force.
 - 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 societies of the election bid will be asked to propose mutually-agreed candidate(s) and their respective tenures at the Ithaca 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 July 11 to July 17, 2024.
 - 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: etf@theworldcouncil.net

- Zehavit Gross (ETF Chair)
- Oleg Gubin (Member)
- Samiha Peterson (Member)

For further details, please refer to the WCCES Statutes and Bylaws: <https://www.wcces.online/statutes-and-bylaws>