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Dear IFHE Council Members,

As announced at the last IFHE council meeting in Paris herewith we confirm our candidacy for the organisation of the 24th Congress of the International Federation of Hospital Engineering (IFHE). In this we refer to the invitation through the IFHE Administrative Secretary on behalf of the IFHE General Secretary in the letter dated April 2011.

The NVTG (IFHE A006) has been a member of the IFHE since 1972 and in 1982 we were privileged to organise the 7th IFHE Congress. It would be an honour for the NVTG to receive our international colleagues again for the 24th IFHE Congress in The Hague in 2016. In 2016 it will have been 34 years since the NVTG organised the IFHE Congress. The NVTG was founded in 1947 and therefore we will celebrate our 65th anniversary in 2012. We would be delighted to receive a gift to celebrate this anniversary in the form of the organisation of the 24th IFHE Congress.

The city of The Hague was chosen as the location because it is the heart of Dutch culture. The government and the International Court of Justice are located here. In addition, it is one of the world’s leading cities with regards to international conferences that impact the world. The intention is to organise an interactive conference where professionals in the field of healthcare engineering and facilities from the cure and care sector from all over the world will meet.

We are proud that healthcare in the Netherlands is of the highest quality. The basic principle of the NVTG is to share knowledge, and we would like to share this knowledge with you. In the last few years we have built a lot of new hospitals and other healthcare institutions with the latest technology. We would like to show you this new technology. In addition, our goal is to get more members from other affiliated associations to our congress. Companies working in the healthcare sector will assist us in this.

With regards to the exchange of knowledge, we will pay specific attention to the objectives of the World Health Organisation (WHO). WHO urges the healthcare engineering sector to apply its creativity and resources to support sustainable health sector development in low-income settings, while maintaining safety, quality, effectiveness and efficiency of care. For the IFHE Congress 2016 in The Netherlands, this will be our challenge.

We would be honoured to receive your support and confidence as a suitable candidate for hosting the 24th IFHE Congress in the heart of The Netherlands, The Hague.

Yours faithfully,

Ing. D.H. Kiestra
President NVTG
The Dutch Healthcare Market

The Dutch Healthcare market is divided into cure and care sectors, in which the cure sector is focussed on research and treatment and the care sector on housing and care.

- Funding of property and housing is performance-related (dependent upon production). Revenues are dependent upon patients or clients to be treated, through which market forces are stimulated and institutions can compete with each other. This leads to mergers and specialisations.
- Health insurers have a directing role in the healthcare system and are gaining more and more influence in the field of healthcare facilities. For example, they have influence on the distribution of specialisms as a result of health care purchasing.
- Banks, too, are gaining more influence through the assessment of requests for financing, which have to be supported by sound business plans.
- In 2008 the total book value of healthcare property was estimated between 20 and 22 billion Euros and annual construction related investments between 2 and 3 billion Euros.

Cure sector

- The total number of hospital beds in The Netherlands currently is 46,615, 38,792 of which are in general hospitals and 7,723 in University Medical Centres.
- The government wants primary care to be more accessible. In view of soaring healthcare costs, more health issues should be resolved in primary care as well, without unnecessary referrals to a hospital or specialist.

Care sector

- As at 1 July 2011 there were 335,410 clients with an intramural indication (care with stay) in The Netherlands.
- From 1 January 2012 financing of housing within the care sector is based on a ‘normative housing component’. Institutions are now responsible for investment decisions and risks themselves.
- Full funding of care for the chronically ill, including integrated care.
- The separation of housing and care is continuing in all care sectors.
Employment

Demand for healthcare will increase in the coming years due to the ageing population and increased life expectancy. To be able to provide this care, more bedside care professionals will be required. It has been calculated that, by this interpretation, one in four Dutch people will be directly/indirectly working in the healthcare sector in 10 years’ time. In addition to adequate cost control, this requires an extra impulse in the education of young students and people returning to healthcare.

For NVTG this requires a new direction in the development of Facility Professionals in Healthcare.
Date

18 – 20 April 2016.
The days will be added to the IFHE Executive Meeting and Technical Visits.

Theme

*“Healthcare Engineering creating effective and efficient care world-wide“*

The NVTG intends to organise the 24th IFHE Congress in 2016 as an interactive conference where professionals in the field of Healthcare Engineering, from all over the world, will meet to exchange new ideas, case studies and experiences.

In The Netherlands the NVTG sets out its objectives with the message: “Technology for Care, Cure & Comfort”. The basic principle is the choice to let technology serve the treatment and care of patients in a safe and comfortable environment, in which currently a lot of attention is being paid to sustainability. Associations with similar objectives get together within the IFHE, enabling the exchange of knowledge to obtain an international character.

However, in numerous locations around the world access to technologically advanced facilities is still not a given. Speakers and participants will be challenged to contribute to one of the WHO objectives, as expressed in the congress title: “Healthcare Engineering creating effective and efficient care world-wide”. WHO representatives will be invited together with congress delegates, to investigate creative and practical solutions to achieve this goal.

Speakers will be invited to contribute to the following topics: architecture & design, new healthcare building technology, hygiene, sustainability, energy efficiency, facility management, maintenance, biomedical engineering and safety
Programme

Below you will find the provisional programme for the IFHE 2016 congress. This programme contains executive committee and council meetings as well as social events and a accompanying persons’ programme.

Table 1: Congress programme IFHE 2016

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Technical Visits

During the congress technical visits will be provided to a number of leading hospitals in The Netherlands

Maasstad Hospital

Opened in May 2011 Maasstad Ziekenhuis in Rotterdam is a replacement of 2 other hospitals. It is situated at the “Zorgboulevard” or Care-Avenue, a new concept in The Netherlands, with many shops and institutions in the field of healthcare. It is a General Hospital and the largest Treating Center for Burns in the country. Some figures: 613 beds, average patient stay 4.2 days, 3200 fte staff.

For more information please visit: www.maasstadziekenhuis.nl
3D video: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2_3oI5jq3es

Amsterdam VU University Medical Center

Situated in Amsterdam VU University Medical Center is an academic hospital related to the Amsterdam Free University. It is one of the 11 Trauma Centers in The Netherlands. It has a capacity of 750 beds and an average patient stay of 5.7 days. The total of staff is 5600 fte. The two-story addition VUmc Kinderstad (Kindergarten-city) next to the new children’s clinic has won the NVTG-Award for outstanding care. A new Emergency Department is being built as well as a new Cancer Center. Both will be ready in 2012.

For more information please visit: www.vumc.nl

Academic Medical Center AMC

Academic Medical Center AMC in Amsterdam is a 1000-bed hospital and one of the ten academic centers in The Netherlands. The staff amounts to a total of 7100 fte resulting in an average patient stay of 6.8 days. In addition to the treatment of patients much medical and scientific research is being done. It provides outstanding medical education.

For more information please visit: www.amc.nl
Photo: Maasstad Hospital

Photo: Amsterdam VU university Medical Center

Photo: Academic Medical Center AMC
Organisers

Nederlandse Vereniging voor Technisch facilitair management in de Gezondheidszorg (NVTG)

The NVTG (IFHE A006) is an association of facility management professionals, which contributes to the continuous improvement of healthcare facilities in the Netherlands by means of professional development, provision of information and the establishment of networks.

1947  NVTG is founded and starts with around 50 members
1970  NVTG joins the International Federation of Hospital Engineering
1982  NVTG hosts the 7th IFHE Congress in Amsterdam
2009  NVTG hosts the 3rd European Congress on Hospital Engineering in Goes
2011  NVTG has grown to 720 members
2012  NVTG celebrates her 65th anniversary

Since 1950  NVTG has organized 61 consecutive annual congresses, each covering 2 days with around 600-800 visitors and around 90 exhibitors.

In addition to the services of a professional congress organiser (PCO), the NVTG proposes to use two committees, composed of active members of the association, for the organisation of the IFHE Congress 2016. At the time of the submission of the bid the president and a second official have been appointed for both committees. After having been awarded the IFHE Congress 2016 these committees will be further extended, including representatives from research institutes and educational institutions, which have already confirmed their participation.
Scientific committee

Chairman

**Mr M. (Michael) Simon** (27 July 1965)

Education: Master in Dental Technique
Experience: Extensive national and international experience in development, publications and lectures. Linked to several hospitals and universities. Several management positions and directorships in medically oriented organisations in The Netherlands, Italy and Austria. Currently owner/director Rooms For Care.
NVTG: Member since 2003, board member since 2010.

Member

**Mr G. (Gaston) E. Lam** (17 August 1940)

Education: Mechanical Engineering
Experience: Some years in the engineering industry. From 1970 until his retirement in 2000, Mr Lam was Head of the Technical Department of Deventer Hospital (top-clinical care) and responsible for estate, buildings, all installations, and medical devices.
NVTG: Member since 1970, board member for 26 years, honorary member
IFHE: Council member since 1982, Executive Committee member since 2000. Has participated in all IFHE Congresses but two, since 1980. As a co-founder, he is also an ExCo member of IFHE-Europe. Organiser of the 7th IFHE Congress Amsterdam 1982.
Organising committee

Chairman

Mr P. (Perry) T. van de Graaf (20 June 1962)

Education: Marine Engineering
IFHE: Organiser of IFHE-Europe Congress in 2009.

Member

Mr L. (Leo) D.A. van Namen (27 May 1947)

Education: Physics
Experience: 1970 – 2007, various positions in Biomedical and Hospital Engineering, latest position Facilities Manager in a large hospital.
NVTG: Member since 1971. Immediate past president and honorary member (since 2010), President NVTG (1993-2010), Vice president (1988 – 1993) and member of several (congress) committees since 1978.

Local Association

President

Mr. D, (Douwe) Kiestra (29 May 1961)

NVTG: Board Member, president since 2010
IFHE: IFHE member advisory panel IFHE Digest since 2011
Curriculum Vitae Douwe Kiestra

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E-mail: dkiestra@nvtg.nl
Tel: +31-(0)58-2882437 / +31-(0)6-54257569
Date of birth: 29 May 1961; (age 50)
Family situation: Married to Anita, 2 sons, 14 and 7 years old

Experience:
1986 – 1988 Project manager De Vries Gorredijk
1988 – 1990 Planner BAM Woningbouw
1990 – 1992 Executor BAM Woningbouw
1992 – 1995 Project manager BAM Woningbouw
2001 – 2005 Branch manager Bouwbedrijf H. de Vries
2005 – 2008 Director of housing Zorgcombinatie Noorderboog Noorderboog (hospital + nursing homes in Meppel)
2008 – 2011 Director Gevekebouw Heerenveen
2011 – General Director Pranger-Rosier

Additional positions:
1980 – 2001 Several directorships
2001 – 2008 Councillor Leeuwarden City Council
2007 - Board member NVTG, from 2010 President
2010 - Board member IJshal Leeuwarden
2011 - IFHE member advisory panel IFHE Digest
Event structure IFHE 2016
**Expected Attendance**

- Estimated Delegates: 1,000
- Estimated Speakers: 35-45

As we have organised our national NVTG Congress 61 times, we can confidently say that we have sufficient experience and expertise to organise a conference of this magnitude. Normally we can count on 600-800 participants from the Netherlands and neighbouring countries. With an international conference of this dimension, we expect around 1,000 participants and around 120 exhibitors. The exhibition will demonstrate the extensive knowledge of health care in The Netherlands. We are expecting a high interest in participation in the IFHE World Congress.

A disappointing fact is that relatively few participants from other countries participate in international conferences. So, in addition, our goal is to get more members from other affiliated associations to attend our congress. A number of companies, most of them multinationals working in the healthcare sector, have pledged to help us achieve that goal. Furthermore The Hague Convention Bureau has expressed their commitment in assisting us in building delegate attendance.

**Financial Aspects**

The NVTG will bear full financial responsibility for the Congress. A preliminary budget will be prepared in conjunction with the PCO partner. The preliminary budget takes into account the requirements detailed in the S.O. 11.2, which includes the payment of a levy to IFHE of £15 for each delegate paying the full registration fee, £7.50 for delegates paying the partial registration fee, and £5 per exhibition stand. The NVTG confirms that it fully agrees with S.O. 11.2.f to S.O 15.1 (Standing Orders 11 September 2007).

The NVTG will host IFHE Executive and Council meetings prior to the Congress at no cost to the IFHE. ExCo and council members will be exempt from payment of the registration fee.
### Preliminary Budget

#### Congress Finance

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**Total Income: € 560,000**

#### Expenditures

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**Total Expenditures: € 560,000**

#### IFHE Levy

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**Total IFHE Levy: € 9,225**

**Total: € 11,182**
Letters of Invitation & Endorsement

Please find the following supporting letters in order of appearance:

**Municipality of The Hague**
Signed by Mr. J.J. van Aartsen, Mayor

**The Hague Convention & Visitors Bureau**
Signed by Mr. M. Esser, Director

**ISSO**
Signed by Mr. R. van Bergen, Director

**KIVI NIRIA**
Signed by Ir. R. Drost, Chairman

**TNO**
Signed by Dr. M.A.J. Kuijpers-Linde, Director of Innovation
International Federation of Hospital Engineering
Attn. Mr. Bernard Shapiro
General Secretary IFHE

The Hague, 28 November 2011

Subject: International Federation of Hospital Engineering 24th Congress in The Hague 2016

Dear Mr. Shapiro,

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to host the International Federation of Hospital Engineering 24th Congress in The Hague. Please allow me to elaborate on why I feel our fine city by the sea would be eminently suited to making your congress a resounding success.

The Hague’s international reputation as a first-rate congress destination is well established. The municipality, The Hague Convention & Visitors Bureau and the local hospitality industry are focused on providing optimal congress and accommodation facilities, maintaining the high quality standards discerning visitors are accustomed to. Being the perfect host is our highest goal.

The Hague is the international city of peace and justice, making it unique among all cities of the world. The Peace Palace is a well-known icon that symbolises this internationally. The Hague is also the seat of the government of The Netherlands as well as the Royal residence. It is a city of deliberation, diplomacy, arbitration and high-level decision-making.

The Hague is also a vibrant and colourful city with inhabitants from all over the world. It is home to many expats who work at the numerous international organisations and multinational corporations with headquarters in The Hague. Cosmopolitan on all fronts, yet without the crowding and stress found in other cities of fame, The Hague has style and class.

The city’s congress facilities are excellent and uniquely diverse: from renowned international congress venues, historic palaces, characteristic theatres and ultra modern halls down to intimate, creative locations full of local flavour. The Hague has it all. The fine hotels on offer in a range of all categories and rates are staffed by driven hospitality professionals whose ultimate challenge is the quality and comfort of your stay.

A successful congress offers its participants the right balance between work and relaxation. The Hague’s most unexpected asset for many is the beach, providing a unique opportunity for visitors to unwind, enjoy the invigorating sea breeze and have some serious fun, like placing a bet at the Casino or sampling the nightlife. A different but equally rewarding way for visitors to spend their free time is to stroll through The Hague’s beautiful historic city centre, where a maze of age-old narrow streets offers a lively atmosphere of culture, fine cafés and restaurants as well as surprising shops and boutiques.

The Hague’s cultural offerings are known across the globe. Take Vermeer’s “Girl with a Pearl Earring” in the Mauritshuis, the museum which was recently rated as one of Europe’s top museums by The New York Times. The city’s Municipal Museum is also well worth a visit. In the world of modern dance, The Hague is known as the home base of the renowned Nederlands Dans Theater, one of today’s most revered modern dance companies.

The city’s international accessibility is excellent at less than 30 minutes by train from Schiphol International Airport and just 20 minutes by car from Rotterdam The Hague Airport. Public transportation and taxi services in the city are fast and comfortable.

With the success of your event and the wishes of your members in mind, we are confident we have put together a suitable, tailor-made proposal. I have no doubt that IFHE congress participants will find their stay in The Hague inspiring and memorable, and that they will be taken by the city’s style and charm.

We hope to be able to welcome you here, in our fine city of The Hague very soon.

Yours sincerely,

J.J. van Aartsen
Mayor
International Federation of Hospital Engineering
Attn. Mr. Bernard Shapiro
General Secretary IFHE

The Hague, November 24th 2011

Dear Mr. Shapiro,

It would be our greatest honour if the 24th Congress of the International Federation of Hospital Engineering would take place in The Hague in 2016.

The Hague Convention Bureau is part of Den Haag Marketing, the city's official Convention & Visitors Bureau. As the City of The Hague is our main partner, we are able to maintain complete independence in our advisory and informative services and offer you a wide range of free of charge services.

On behalf of the organisation, we can offer - amongst others - the following service package to assist during the organisation of a potential conference:

- Coordination and organisation of site inspections if required, enabling you to make the most informed choice.
- Independent advice, assistance during selection and coordination of availability of the desired accommodations and other required services tailored to fit the IFHE's criteria.
- Advice on social, partner and ethical programmes.
- Delegation building support including the provision of photo-, text and promotional materials.
- Liaison services in establishing contacts with selected businesses and organisations.
- On-site tourist information services to welcome and inform your delegates.

The Hague Convention Bureau will be more than willing to assist your office in making the 24th Congress of the International Federation of Hospital Engineering a success in our royal city by the sea. It is with eagerness that we look forward to hearing your decision.

With kindest regards,

Den Haag Marketing

Marco Essex
Director
Aan geadresseerde:

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Aanhartige aandacht voor het gebied van Hospital Engineering and Healthcare Technology.

As the network body for engineers and other highly educated technical professionals in the Netherlands, KIVI NIRIA’s primary objective is to promote the importance of technology in our society. This ensures continuity in adequate investment in education, research and innovation. To meet this objective, KIVI NIRIA conducts the following core activities:

**Technical promotion** – to promote the role of technology and engineers in general,

**Network** – to stimulate contacts and exchange of knowledge between engineers and

**Member services** – to provide services that assist members with the development of their professional careers.

With regard to Hospital Engineering and Healthcare Technology, various disciplines of KIVI NIRIA have paid much attention to topics in this field in the past decades. The central theme in the coming year 2012 will even be dedicated to the subject of Healthcare Technology, meaning that all disciplines of KIVI NIRIA will develop their plans around this theme.

KIVI NIRIA has cooperated with the NVTG association for many years and in many occasions. Cooperation always took place on basis of mutual respect and extensive knowledge & experience of its representatives. It would be an honour for us to work together with NVTG to make the 2016 congress a great success.

Therefore I am pleased to support the bid of the NVTG for the IFHE Congress 2016 in The Hague, The Netherlands.

With kind regards,

On behalf of KIVI NIRIA,

KIVI NIRIA – Biomedical Engineering & Healthcare Technology,

Ir. René Drost CEIM
Chairman
Dear Mr. Shapiro,

It is with great pleasure that TNO took notice of the news that the NVTG is preparing a bid to host the 24th Congress of the International Federation of Hospital Engineering (IFHE) in 2016. This will give TNO a perfect opportunity to participate intensively in important themes like patient safety, facility management and sustainability in its widest context. The Dutch Centre for Health Assets, part of TNO, has a close working relationship with the NVTG. We even align our joint activities in an alliance agreement.

Good examples of our partnership is the research we have done on emergency power systems, renewable energy and fire safety in the healthcare sector. In close cooperation with the NVTG we conducted a survey which helped the sector (and the government) to analyse fire safety conditions in the healthcare sector. Another important topic is knowledge sharing between TNO and the NVTG. On numerous occasions we have supplied key-note speakers and professionals at each other's conferences, workshops and site visits.

TNO guarantees the availability of state of the art knowledge and the latest scientific insights for the congress. We will also assist the NVTG with the establishment of a robust (scientific) programme. The proposed theme for the congress pays specific attention to the objectives of the World Health Organisation. In this respect we like to mention that TNO is, and has been, involved in WHO related activities such as the observatory study on capital investment and research regarding "healthy buildings worldwide". The focus on the healthcare sector is increasingly becoming a worldwide issue and is not just concentrated on Europe and the USA.

Therefore I am pleased to support the bid of the NVTG for the IFHE Congress 2016 in The Hague, The Netherlands.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. M. A. J. Kuipers-Linde
Director of Innovation
Urban Development

Date: 15 November 2011
Our reference: UTC-2011-00208
In The Netherlands, right on the North Sea coast lies a unique city. The residence of the nation’s royal head of state and its government, of embassies and courts of justice. But also of Vermeer and Mondriaan. A city of distinguished serenity and breaking world news in one. A city where decisions of global consequence are made. Where deliberation is as natural as the fresh westerly wind. A city that always makes you think and so is the ideal place to make your conference successful. That city’s name is The Hague. The world’s city of justice and peace.

A conference in The Hague makes you think.

For centuries, The Hague has been the place where prominent people come together to share ideas and make decisions. The whole city is geared to stimulate high-level thinking. Whether it’s our comfortable hotels, security services, excellent accessibility by plane or train, the quality of our Internet connections or our fine conference venues, The Hague is organised to make you want for nothing. The rest is down to the cool sea breeze that clears the mind.
Den Haag Marketing - the city's official Convention & Visitors Bureau -, the local hotels and venues are all keen to maintain The Hague's international reputation as a prime conference destination by providing a highly diverse range of first class facilities. The Hague offers famous international conference centres, authentic palaces and theatres with plenty of character as well as ultra modern halls. There are numerous small scale, creative locations with unique ambiances of their own. The Hague's offers a wide choice of fine hotels in all categories, always staffed by motivated professionals whose biggest challenge is the success of your conference or event. And that should make you think.

For more information, please visit www.denhaag.com
The World Forum is based in The Hague World Forum, the city’s international zone. Working together with the city council, we lend our support to meetings concerned with peace and justice.

The decisions that are taken at The World Forum have a bearing on the entire world, such as conferences of the International Criminal Court (ICC) and The Hague International Model United Nations (THIMUN). We believe a one-on-one encounter in our natural networking environment is an event as well, just smaller scale. “Events that shape the World”, our pay-off, simply confirms the type of events we host and the way we practice our Corporate Social Responsibility.
The combination of a multifunctional auditorium/theatre and various breakout areas makes the World Forum the perfect venue for every type of event. There is enough room to welcome more than 5000 visitors at a time, but also sufficient intimacy to give your event a personal touch. It is even possible to transform the entire building to suit your personal wishes and project your desired image – the final step from good to great!

The World Forum understands that every client has his own needs and requirements. Therefore, our team, which has all the skills and knowledge to assist you, would be more than pleased to work together with you and your production team to make every event a great success.

The World Forum is a full service location. Together with selected international and reliable partners we offer you the best services on all fronts. As a result, we guarantee constant high quality throughout your conference. Our partners are restricted suppliers while using our facilities. Their offices are located in the World Forum building, which enables them to provide a fast and flexible service.

References of some of the international conferences held in the World Forum:

- 29th European Society for Paediatric Infectious Diseases Conference, 2011 – 2800 pax.
- 14th European Burns Association Congress, 2011 – 800 pax.
- International Conference on Afghanistan 2009 – 1000 pax.
- 14th European Society of Surgical Oncology Conference, 2008 – 700 pax.

Website: [www.worldforum.nl](http://www.worldforum.nl)
Floor Plan Exhibition

2016_IFHE conference

Under reserve of approval Dutch fire department

**Under reserve of catering offer and final floorplan

Index:

- Bar**
- Buffet**
- Stand 3x3m
Hotel & Budget Accommodation

The Hague offers 5,418 hotel rooms with a total number of 13,413 beds in all hotel classifications. The Hague offers 5* hotel accommodation as well as budget class accommodation and all classifications in between. Most hotels offer some rooms also suitable for the disabled at no extra costs.

The accommodation can be chosen between three different areas:

**Convenience / World Forum area**

On top of the convention centre World Forum is the 4-star Novotel The Hague World Forum Hotel with 216 bedrooms. Adjacent you will find the 4-star Bel Air Hotel with 300 guest rooms, 20 Executive Suites and 7 Ambassador Suites on one side and the 4-star Crowne Plaza Promenade Hotel with 90 guest rooms and 4 suites on the other side. The immediate neighbourhood of the convention centre World Forum thus offers over 625 hotel rooms.
Seaside
On a mere 5-10 minutes by public transport, there is a large cluster of hotels in all categories in the seaside resort Scheveningen, or somewhat further along the coast; the smaller resort Kijkduin (10 minutes by public transport).

Historic City Centre
Again on only a few stops away by public transport (5-10 minutes) a concentration of large variety of hotels can be found. In the opposite direction from the resort Scheveningen lies the charming historic city centre of the Royal City of The Hague. Amidst beautiful monuments, lively squares and inviting shopping-areas, hotel rooms in all categories can be found.

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The mentioned prices are in € per night, are derived from the tourist brochure "Welcome to The Hague, issue 1, spring 2011" and are based on a double room including service, breakfast and VAT (except for the budget accommodations).
The Netherlands is easily reached by plane from all over the world. Schiphol Airport (www.schiphol.nl) is one of the central airports for carriers travelling from the USA and Canada. All the well-known airlines fly to and from Schiphol Airport on a daily base. 89 carriers that fly to 250 destinations in 95 countries service Schiphol Airport. The average number of daily incoming and outgoing flights varies between 1000 and 1200.

The Dutch international air carrier is KLM. A preferred carrier agreement includes a special ‘Global Meetings fare’ discount of 5% or 10% on the applicable published fare for the participants travelling to the conference. Delegates can attain discounted fares via the online booking tool www.airfranceklm-globalmeetings.com.

Transportation from Schiphol Airport to The Hague is possible by public transport or the Schiphol Travel Taxi. There is a direct train connection between Schiphol Airport and The Hague railway stations (www.ns.nl). Luggage trolleys are available at the luggage belt and can be taken to the train platforms. Travelling time is 29 minutes; the frequency is 5 times per hour.

Apart from Schiphol Airport there is also the smaller and more Western European orientated Rotterdam – The Hague Airport (www.rotterdamthehagueairport.nl). The airport is approximately a 20-minute drive from the centre of The Hague.
**Travelling to The Hague by plane***

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*Arrival on Amsterdam Schiphol Airport. From Schiphol, one can take a direct train to The Hague 5 times an hour (travelling time 29 minutes, price from €7,60).

**Prices are based on economy travel class return flights with various airlines on price level 2012 (travelling time April 2012). Prices may vary according to availability and booking time.
Ways to travel from the Airports to The Hague

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Travelling to The Hague by train

Holland has a modern and extensive railway network. Intercity trains run regularly between the larger cities. Express trains and local trains also stop at intermediate stations. Most trains offer a choice between first and second class. It is not possible to make reservations for seats on regular trains. It may therefore be more comfortable to travel first class in the busy trains in the Randstad area (encompassing the cities of Amsterdam, The Hague, Utrecht and Rotterdam) during peak hours. The train stations are centrally located. The NS Night Net trains run between Rotterdam Central, The Hague Hollands Spoor, Leiden Central, Amsterdam Airport Schiphol, Amsterdam Central and Utrecht every hour of every night.

Participants coming from the UK or Scandinavia can take one of the ferries from and to Rotterdam and Hoek van Holland. A train-ride from the Hoek van Holland takes about 50 minutes, one from Rotterdam approximately 20 minutes.

The Hague Hollands Spoor railway station is on of the stops of the Thalys, which can be used by conference participants travelling from Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam. Besides the Thalys it is also possible to travel with the ICE from different German cities like Düsseldorf, Cologne, Frankfurt, Hamburg and Berlin to The Hague Central Station.

Due to The Hague’s central location within Europe, many people will be able to travel efficiently with their own transport. An advanced network of multi-lane motorways connects The Hague with all major European cities.
Public Transport

The Municipality of The Hague is the first city in the Netherlands that has a climate-neutral municipal government since 2010. As the political heart of the Netherlands, The Hague wants to lead by example when it comes to sustainability. This implies that public transport within the city is outstanding. A network of trams and busses covers all parts of the city, connecting hotels, conference venues and tourist attractions day and night.

In The Hague, there is a public transport ticket especially for congress participants: the HTM Congress Card. With this card one can travel within The Hague by public transport. The HTM Congress Card can be specially made for you at a minimum number and can carry your (conference) logo. It holds valid for as long as the conference takes place. When ordering the HTM Congress Card you will receive advice on the means of public transport in The Hague and surroundings and you will receive an overview of travel times of busses and trams in the neighbourhood of your conference location. The HTM Congress Card holds valid in The Hague at all HTM, Qbuzz, Veolia and Connexion lines (except the Interliner) and costs € 17.40 for five days (price level 2011). The exact price is dependent on your requirements, the number of days requested and the number of HTM Congress Cards that you wish to purchase.

When purchasing a large number of tickets, a discount of 4 per cent will be given. Besides, 20 per cent of the ordered tickets can be returned free of charge when they are not used.

Business Cards are also available; these can be used one-time only as return tickets.

For more information, please contact the HTM at businessstobusiness@htm.net.
Social events during the 24th IFHE Congress

BBQ at the Beach - Accompanying programme

Discover our colors during a cultural tour

Typically Dutch

Council dinner at the Harbour Club

IFHE 2016 Gala dinner at the Big Church
VVV / Tourist Office & The Hague Greeters

Maximize your time in The Hague, together with staff of the Tourist Office. No one is more aware of what's running, playing, and going to happen. Use the good advice and services of these dedicated professionals, allowing you much of the fun and enjoy beautiful things. During the IFHE congress a mobile tourist office will be offered for free by The Hague Convention & Visitors Bureau. For more information please contact our Tourist office at:

Tourist Office The Hague  
Tel.: +31 (0)70 361 8844  
Email: l.visser@denhaag.com  

The Hague Greeters

The Hague Greeters: when your conference will visit The Hague, you can experience a warm welcome from a The Hague Greeter. Let someone who holds the city dear, guide you in all treasures that The Hague has to offer, and experience The Hague just as a resident of the city would. The Hague Greeters are volunteers that will share their love for the city with you in an enthusiastic and hospitable manner. A Greeter will walk with you through the city for a couple of hours and have you experiencing The Hague in a unique way. For families, friends or people travelling solo – truly an enrichment of your visit!

For more information about the Hague greeters: www.denhaaggreeters.nl

Pre and post congress tours

The tourist office that is affiliated with the congress will offer several pre and post congress tours. Further details with regards to these tours will be published in the first announcement. The congress venue is located in the vicinity of some of the top Dutch tourist attractions such as the tulip fields, wind mills and the famous Delft Bleu pottery. Both day trips and longer trips will be available.
Tourist Attractions

With its historical city centre, housing palaces, churches and other ancient buildings it is a pleasure to visit The Hague. Also with the many swinging and cultural events it is a worthwhile city to visit any time of the year. There is the coast, on a stone's throw from the centre. The wide beach and the vast North Sea invite you to sunbathe or take an invigorating walk. In short, in The Hague you can enjoy yourself in many different ways. Of course these attractions can also become part of the optional program that will be offered during two half-day specials.
Tourist attractions in The Hague

- In Miniature city **Madurodam**, you will see the canal houses of Amsterdam, the Alkmaar cheese market or parts of the Deltaworks, all replicated in minute detail on a 1:25 scale. Windmills turn, ships sail and modern trains are traversing the city on the world’s largest miniature railway.

- The **Peace Palace**, a gift from the American Andrew Carnegie, houses the Permanent Court of Arbitration, the International Court of Justice, the Hague Academy of International Law and a library of books on international law.

- The **Gemeentemuseum** reveals the remarkable qualities of the latest creation of architect H.P. Berlage (1863-1934). Special attention is devoted to Art Nouveau round 1900 and the fully refurbished period rooms.

- Lucent Danstheatre and Dr Anton Philipszaal offer a unique combination of a dance theatre and concert hall of international allure. The Lucent Danstheatre houses the Dutch famous dance group '**Nederlands Danstheater**', whereas the Dr Anton Philipszaal is home for the famous '**Residentie Orkest**'.

- The Royal Painting Cabinet **Mauritshuis** is housed in one of Holland's most outstanding classicist buildings. Its intimate character and the exceptional quality of its collection (e.g. Vermeer, Rembrandt and Potter) make the Mauritshuis a favourite destination for its many visitors.

- Museum **Beelden aan Zee** is located near the beach and houses a permanent collection of sculptures with 'human beings' as most important theme. The museum has indoor and outdoor exhibitions, which change very often.

- The '**Binnenhof**' (inner bailey of the castle) lies around the Hall of Knights. This square used to be surrounded by walls. Nowadays the Binnenhof is home to the Dutch Parliament.

- A fascinating view of the old fishing village of Scheveningen in 1881. The showpiece at the **Panorama Mesdag** is an enormous cylinder shaped painting by H.W. Mesdag, his wife Sientje and the painters Blommers, Breitner and De Bock. Panorama Mesdag is one of the largest and most beautiful panoramas left in the world.
Tourist attractions in The Netherlands

The Netherlands is a very compact country. You can drive from one side to the other within 3 hours. Outside the region of The Hague there are many special places, which can be easily visited, if so desired. You can find some of these tourist attractions below.

◆ Delft
Delft is renowned all over the world as the city of Delft blue earthenware. Delft was one of the homeports of the Dutch East India Company. When the Delft potters became acquainted with the imported Chinese porcelain, they began manufacturing Delftware with designs based on these patterns, which is nowadays still made by hand. (app. 10 km from The Hague) www.delft.nl.

◆ Rotterdam
The city that is so unlike Holland’s other cities. Located on the mighty Maas River. The world’s number 1 port. City with outstanding architecture and delightful culture. City with an abundance of attractions, festivals and museums. A swinging, young city culture and excellent shopping facilities, restaurants and cafes. Whatever your interests are, whatever you want to do, Rotterdam is sure to pleasantly surprise you! (app. 25 km from The Hague) www.rotterdam.info.

◆ Amsterdam
Amsterdam, capital of Holland. Probably know from the romantic canals, the 600.000 bikes, the exciting nightlife and flower market. However, Amsterdam offers more. It has a wide range of places of interest, historical monuments and more than 50 museums. Arts and antiques are for sale in quaint quarters, fashionable and upscale products in chic shopping streets. (app 55 km from The Hague) www.amsterdam.nl.
Pre-financing and Guarantee Fund

Organising an international conference in The Netherlands entails very few risks. The majority of the conferences held in The Netherlands conclude with a modest positive balance. The reason lies in the fact that The Netherlands has a sound conference structure with regard to accommodation and services provided. At the same time, the Dutch conference industry is highly experienced in supervising and organising these types of events.

Initiating and organising an international conference is like starting up a new enterprise, knowing beforehand that its life span is limited. Such an enterprise usually requires starting capital to pay the initial costs. Insurance to cover possible risks due to reduced attendance may also be needed.

The Pre-financing and Guarantee Fund (VGF) was set up by the Netherlands Board of Tourism & Conventions (NBTC) and the Dutch Convention Industry Association VNC, in co-operation with the Ministry of Economic Affairs, to meet these needs.

The Pre-Financing and Guarantee Fund offers two facilities:

1. Interest-free loan to finance the initial costs of an international conference.
2. Insurance (at non-commercial rate) against possible financial risks due to unexpected reduced attendance.

The two facilities the VGF offers, the pre-financing and the guarantee, may be used both separately and in combination.

Associations that are planning to organize an international convention in Holland can apply to NBTC for an interest-free loan or for a guarantee. NBTC is their intermediary for requests for pre-financing or guarantees under the Pre-financing and Guarantee Fund (VGF).

For more information, please visit: www.holland.com/global/Meetings/Meeting-tools/Prefinancing-and-Guarantee-Fund.htm.
City of The Hague & Convention Bureau

City of The Hague

The city of The Hague is an important partner for international conferences. It contributes proactively in several ways to the hospitality extended to conference organisers and participants. Dependant on subject matter, certain conferences may qualify for support. Support by the city of The Hague can be offered in two ways:

- Welcome reception hosted by the municipality of The Hague
- Incentive programme (financial or in-kind support)

Unfortunately it is not possible to request both a reception and financial/in-kind support simultaneously. Once you have made your choice to request support, please contact The Hague Convention Bureau for more information.

The Hague Convention Bureau

The municipality established The Hague Convention Bureau many years ago to facilitate organisers of conferences. We will be happy to provide you with any support, advice and information you may need concerning conference organisation in our city. Whether this means information on venues, hotels & restaurants, culture & tourist attractions or advice on organisations rendering services to the conference business such as outside catering companies, hostesses, transportation and translation services.

Furthermore we will be honoured to organise a site inspection trip to enable you to make a well-informed decision on the destination for the conference. Also we can provide you with films, photo materials, moving pictures and text to prepare the various announcements and an attractive program. Our team of account managers is committed to making your conference the greatest success and is more than willing to assist you in building delegate attendance, providing on-site information services and establishing contact with local companies, organisations and knowledge institutions.

For more information, please visit: www.thehaguecongress.com.
The Hague, a logical choice!

We are convinced that The Hague’s’ concentration of relevant expertise, in combination with its professional facilities and the hospitality and organisational talent of the different hotels, make our national seat of government an ideal location for memorable and successful meetings.

The following considerations have been taken into account in presenting The Hague as destination for your meeting:

- Excellent congress venues as well as variety of additional services;
- Central location within Europe and easily accessible from two airports;
- Excellent (inter) national access by rail, road and air;
- Excellent access within the city, with efficient public transportation between main conference venue and hotels, tourist attractions and leisure possibilities;
- Ample guest rooms in all hotel classifications and suites for overnight staying of your guests;
- The Hague is known as the legal capital and 2nd UN city of the world;
- The presence of the Peace Palace, ICJ, ICC, ICTY, OPCW, NATO Headquarters, all embassies and many other international organisations;
- Character of The Hague, as a royal, historic and culturally well-endowed city with world class museums and other cultural attractions;
- The Hague being situated at the North Sea coast and with to seaside resorts;
- The Hague, City of Peace and Justice.