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MESSAGE FROM THE IBERIAN CHAPTER CHAIRMAN



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On behalf of all ICCA Iberian Chapter members it is my pleasure to forward you our last e-letter containing news and relevant information about chapter members and their activities.

Herewith I also would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself as the new Chairman of the ICCA Iberian Chapter for a two years term.

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EXPO 2008 PROJECTS ZARAGOZA IN THE WORLD



Expo Zaragoza 2008, the International Exhibition which will bring more than 100 participating countries together in Zaragoza, is expecting to receive more than seven million visitors who will be able to enjoy exhibitions and unique shows created exclusively for this big event in the pavilion of each country. The central theme of this multicultural event – 14 June to 14 September – is Water and Sustainable Development.

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Doing business in Spain and/or Portugal

Some of the world's biggest events have been held on the Iberian peninsula including the 15 World Congress of Cardiology - WHF- in Conjunction with the 28 Congress of the European Society of Cardiology (30,000 participants) and the 7 European Congress on Orthopaedics - EFORT- (6,000 participants). All the events held have been hailed as major successes. Already 90 international association meetings have been confirmed taking place

The Alhambra in Granada, 'Wonder of the World'



The Alhambra in Granada is considered to be the most beautiful, best preserved and oldest of the world's Arab palaces. The monument houses four areas: the palaces, the military area or Citadel, the city or *Medina* and the country villa of Generalife. It also comprises the renaissance Palace of Carlos V. All of which is surrounded by forest, gardens and orchards. Consequently, the Alhambra deserves to rank among the Seven New Wonders of the World for its outstanding architecture, design as a 'place of peace', symbols and magic.

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MADEIRA TO HOUSE THE INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION IN 2009



The International Whaling Commission (IWC) will be staging its annual meeting in 2009 on the Portuguese island of Madeira. The candidature was approved during the last IWC meeting held at the end of May in Anchorage (Alaska), beating the candidature presented by Yokohama (Japan).

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after 2007.

Both countries are doing extremely well in the organisation of international events; Spain is listed third in the ICCA Statistics rankings by number of international association meetings held in 2005 with 275 meetings and Portugal is listed 18 with 105 meetings. This success can be explained by the fact that experienced meeting professionals have been working in the meetings industry for decades.

There are fantastic facilities - rated amongst the world's best, and experienced service providers. The 'value for money' is immense compared to many parts of the world. The secret is - work with the right people and suppliers - and that is where your ICCA Iberian Chapter members can help!

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IFEMA, a very busy Convention Centre



The IFEMA Convention Centre in Madrid will, most probably, exceed 326 events in 2007 – including 8 congresses – which it hosted last year. Three top events will be taking place in June and July: the Tetra World Meeting; the Power-Gen Meeting, and the World Meeting of the Deaf.

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ATLANTA UNICONGRESS: OVER 500 EVENTS IN 2006

Atlanta Unicongress, agency specializing in the organization and management of business trips, corporate events and meetings, surpassed 500 events and 43,000 attendees. In fact, the company's meeting and events department took care of the technical organization of nine international meetings – the Mathematicians conference (Madrid, 22-30 August) brought together more than 4,000 participants-, 23 national meetings, eight of them local or regional and another 480 different events. The turnover for these items exceeded 29 millions, out of total turnover of 47 million.

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