Dear IPA friends,

It is my pleasure, on behalf of the Organizing Committee and all members of IPA Section Spain, to invite you to the 65th IPA World Congress followed by the IPA Friendship Week.

As you all know, IPA Spain Section has been designated to organize the 65th IPA WORLD CONGRESS OCTOBER 2020. COVID-19 forced us to cancel the organization of the WC during the years 2020 and 2021. As a result of the pandemic, many people around the world have died or are still under the effects of the disease, some of them colleagues and family members. To all of them our most affectionate and effusive memory.

At the time of writing, the Russian Federation is launching a military offensive against Ukraine. Section IPA Spain is deeply shocked by the decision of the Russian Federation to forcibly cross the borders and launched an invasion of Ukraine. We have been able to see through a private French TV channel (BFM TV) specialized in the broadcasting of continuous information, how a bus with the logo of the section IPA Ukraine moved refugees between the borders of Ukraine and Poland, an exemplary aid that further emphasizes our motto, "Servo per amikeco".

Our friends in Ukraine are suffering the consequences of a deplorable war and need help. They are victims of an invasion that affects us directly as both, Ukraine and Russia, are members of our association. IPA Spain is at the disposal of the IEB for any joint support initiative.

In solidarity with IPA Ukraine, during the next world congress there will be no exchange of gifts between sections and instead, there will enabled a box in the conference room where each section will be able to deposit the economic value that would have represented the purchase of the exchange gift or the amount of money they consider. At the end of the congress, the money will be handed over to the international treasurer in aid of IPA Ukraine.

Finally, this year 2022 we will be able to host the world congress as planned. We have made a great effort to maintain the same prices as two years ago to encourage the personal encounter between all of us during the World Congress and the Friendship week.

To organize this event, we have chosen the city of Lloret de Mar (province of Girona), this place is in the Costa Brava, a very pleasant tourist place that will surely satisfy all your expectations and the place for the congress will be The Olympic Congress Center, part of the EVENIA Olympic Resort, a
modern hotel resort composed of 4 hotels**** and located in a residential area of Lloret de Mar. Its pleasant environment and modern facilities guarantee a successful development of any kind of events. The surface area of over 30,000 m² and feature: large gardens, tropical swimming pools, heated swimming pools, spa, tennis court and covered car parking. It is located on the Costa Brava, Lloret de Mar (1000 m. from the beach. 12 minutes walking). The average temperature in October is 22 degrees and the distance between Barcelona International Airport and Lloret de Mar (Costa Brava) is 1 hour by car. The distance between Girona International Airport (Low Cost) and Lloret: 25 minutes by car.

We have worked on a very diverse program that will allow you to know some social and cultural features of the area. You will find the program and the promotional video on our website.

After the World Congress we will start a Friendship Week visiting the cities of Barcelona, Madrid and its surroundings. The transfer between the two cities will be by AVE high speed train.

Visit our website to get the forms and book your reservations for WC & FSW 2022,

Website: https://ipa-65th-world-congress.org/
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We are completely convinced, together we can achieve a great success!

We are waiting for you!

Servo per Amikeco

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