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Ideas and Instruments in Social Context

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Preliminary Program

1. Theme

“IDEAS AND INSTRUMENTS IN SOCIAL CONTEXT”

This slogan, conjuring images of both scientific theory and practice, is meant to suggest a broad agenda, not a restrictive one. The organizers welcome a wide range of proposals for papers and sessions, covering any period from antiquity to the present and any place on the face of the globe. Although all presentations should relate to the history of science or technology, they may focus on institutions as well as beliefs, inventions as well as applications, the popular as well as the abstruse. They may explore the historical relations of science and technology with such topics as politics, medicine, religion, gender, education, and the arts-or look at the intersection of the history of science and technology with philosophy and sociology.

The Budapest Congress will be the first to be held after our Division's change of name from “Division of History of Science” to “Division of History of Science and Technology” in 2005. In order to explicitly bring out the ways in which science and technology have been interrelated in history and how studies of both fields are complementary, a series of plenary lectures, symposia and special sessions will be devoted to “Science and ideas in social context”, with the aim of bringing together historians of science and historians of technology, and to enhance common discussion on objects that are traditionally regarded as pertaining exclusively to one or the other discipline.

2. Plenary Lectures

To be announced later

3. Regular Sessions

Abstracts are invited in the following Regular Sections. Please note that the Sessions may be restructured by the LOC depending on the number and the content of the accepted papers.

- 1 Paleosciences and Ethnosciences
- 2 Classical and Oriental Antiquity
- 3 Arabic and Islamic World
- 4 South Asia and India
- 5 The Far East and China
- 6 Other Non-Western Civilizations
- 7 The Middle Ages (Western and Byzantine) and Renaissance
- 8 The Classical Period (1543-1800)
 - 8.1 Mathematics and Mechanics
 - 8.2 Physics and Astronomy
 - 8.3 Earth Sciences
 - 8.4 Chemistry and Pharmacy
 - 8.5 Biological and Medical Sciences
 - 8.6 Technology and Engineering
 - 8.7 Geography and Cartography
 - 8.8 Sciences of Man and Society
- 9 The Contemporary Period (1800-)
 - 9.1 Mathematics
 - 9.2 Physics and Astronomy
 - 9.3 Earth Sciences
 - 9.4 Chemistry
 - 9.5 Biological Sciences

- 9.6 Medicine
- 9.7 Technology
- 9.8 Engineering
- 9.9 Space Exploration and Research
- 9.10 Computing Sciences and the Internet
- 9.11 Geography
- 9.12 Social Sciences
- 9.13 Natural History
- 9.14 Environmental Studies
- 10 International Scientific Exchange
- 11 Scientific and Technical Museums
- 12 The Formation of Scientific Languages
- 13 The Evolution of Teaching and Public Involvement
- 14 Scientific Institutions – Learned Societies
- 15 Art and Science
- 16 Science and Society
- 17 Science and Culture
- 18 Trans-cultural Diffusion of Science
- 19 Technology Transfer
- 20 Gender in Science and Technology
- 21 Science and Political Context

- 22 Methodology and Sources for the History of Science and Technology
- 23 Science and Philosophy
- 24 Science and Military Affairs
- 25 Modernization and Development
- 26 Technology and Society
- 27 Politics of Technology
- 28 Approaches to History of Science
- 29 Darwin 1809-1859-2009
- 30 Galileo 1609-2009
- 31 History of Science in Education
- 32 Science in Social Context
- 33 Public Participation and Professional Expertise
- 34 Science and the City
- 35 Scientific Instruments
- 36 Studies in the History of Metrology
- 37 Controversies and methodology in the history of science
- 38 Scientific controversies
- 39 History of Cognitive Science
- 40 Pioneering Ideas and Methods in the History of Earth Sciences

4. Tentative List of Symposia

Please note the final list of symposia will be announced in the 3rd Circular

S-1 S. M. Razauallah Ansari, Julio Samso, Anne Tihon (India/Spain/Belgium)
Ancient and Medieval Astronomy with Special Emphasis on its Socioc-cultural Context

- S-2** Till Grüne-Yanoff, Mary Morgan (Finland/UK)
Model Imperialism after WWII – Economic Modelling Practice as the Object of Interdisciplinary Exchange
- S-3** Jeremy Gray, Reinhard Siegmund-Schultze (UK/Norway)
Status in Mathematics: in particular the role of applications in the First World War
- S-4** Craig Fraser, Michiyo Nakane (Canada/Japan)
Mathematical Analysis from the Eighteenth to the Nineteenth Centuries
- S-5** Annette B. Vogt (Germany)
Ideas, instruments and the different laboratory practices – from the gender perspective
- S-6** Joseph W. Dauben, Liu Dun (USA/P. R. China)
Transmission and Transformation of Mathematics and Mathematical Instruments in their Social Contexts, East and West
- S-7** Francesca Rochberg (USA)
The Nature and Aims of Prediction in Ancient Science
- S-8** Art Stinner, Jürgen Teichmann (Canada/Germany)
Ideas and Instruments in the Development of Physics and their Use in Science Education
- S-9** F. Jamil Ragep, Mercè Comes Maymó (Canada/Spain)
Islamic Science in Context: Texts, Instruments, Locales, and Institutions
- S-10** Warwick Anderson, Barbara Brookes (Australia/New Zealand)
Critical Histories of Human Biology and ‘Hybridity’ in the Pacific
- S-11** Michel Blay, Michela Malpangotto (France/Italy)
Les commencements de la science classique et la mathématisation
- S-12** Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu, Efthymios Nicolaidis, Tuncay Zorlu (/Turkey/Greece)
Ideas and Instruments in the Social Context in the Ottoman Empire and the national States
- S-13** Cemil Aydin, Marwa Elshakry (USA)
Darwin Outside Europe: Ideas of Evolution in Comparative and Global Perspective
- S-14** Daniel Margocsy, Mario Biagioli (Hungary/Italy)
The Commerce of Science: Exchanging Objects, Instruments and Ideas in the Early Modern World
- S-15** Yasu Furukawa, Ernst Homburg, Jeffrey Johnson, Gabor Pallo (Japan/The Netherlands/USA/Hungary)
Chemistry in the Aftermath of World Wars
- S-16** Christa Binder, Martina Bevarova (Austria/Czech Republic)
Mathematics in the Austrian-Hungarian Empire
- S-17** Chikara Sasaki, Helène Bellosta, Ioannis Vandoulakis, Feng Lishen (Japan/France/Greece/P. R.China)
Mathematical Discoveries and Demonstrations: East and West
- S-18** Peter Harper, Stephen Weldon (UK/USA)
History of Science and the New Media: Resources for Connecting the Global Community of Scholars
- S-19** Christian Forstner, Leonardo Gariboldi (Germany/Italy)
Physics and Cold War

- S-21** A. Michael Osborne, Jahnvi Phalkey (USA/Germany)
Questions of Reflexivity: The International Circulation of Knowledge and Techniques
- S-22** Cristiana Bastos, Renilda Barreto (Portugal/Brasil)
Learning, producing and using medical knowledge in colonial settings
- S-23** Camilo Quintero, Shawn Mullet (Colombia/USA)
A Change in Empires: European and North American Influences in Latin America's Scientific World in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries
- S-24** Sven Dupré, Albert van Helden (Belgium/The Netherlands)
Global Visions? The Telescope between Competition and Collaboration
- S-25** Natalia Priego, Sonia Lozano (UK/Mexico)
Science as a Matter of Identity and Modernity in Latin America: 'Positivism' and 'Positivisms' in the Late XIX and Early XX Centuries
- S-26** Christian Gilain, Tom Archibald (France/Canada)
Interactions between mathematics and the natural sciences: scientific realities and social representations (1750-1950)
- S-27** Peter Maria Schuster, George N. Vlahakis (Austria/Greece)
Spectroscopy: Science and Society
- S-28** Cornelia Lüdecke, James Fleming (Germany/USA)
Visual Languages (and Representations) of the Sky: Frameworks and Focal Points in Social Context
- S-29** Matthias Heymann and Robert Marc Friedman (Denmark/Norway)
Perspectives on the rise of climate science
- S-30** Fumihiko Satofuka (Japan)
Changing Perspectives on the Concept of 'Kyosei' in the Pacific
- S-31** Irina Gouzévitch, Ana Cardoso de Matos (France/Portugal)
Les ingénieurs au service des princes et des Etats : un regard sur la mobilité professionnelle en Europe, XVe-XIXe siècle
- S-32** Bernardino Fantini, Jean-Louis Fischer (Switzerland/France)
From Natural History to Biology, when Life Sciences were looking for an Object
- S-33** Sara J. Schechner, A. D. Morrison-Low. (USA/Scotland)
How Instruments Change Hands
- S-34** Mark Solovey, Hamilton Cravens (Canada/USA)
Cold War Social Science: Transformations in Politics, Patronage, Disciplines, and Democratic Ideology
- S-35** Dominique Tournès, Anjing Qu (France/P.R.China)
History of Numerical Tables – the second meeting on history of exact sciences along the silk road
- S-36** Alejandro R. Garcíadiego, Sergio Nobre, Clara H. Sánchez (Mexico/Brasil/Colombia)
Introduction of Modern Mathematics in Iberoamerica
- S-37** Olival Freire Junior, Patrick Petitjean, Alexis de Greiff (Brasil/France/Colombia)
Science, Politics, and Development in the 20th Century
- S-38** Anja Jacobsen, Alexei Kojevnikov, Masakatsu Yamazaki (Denmark/Canada/Japan)
Marxism and 20th century Natural Science

- S-39** Scott Gerard Prinster (USA)
Early Modern Conversations between Science and the World's Religions
- S-40** Alexei Volkov, Vera Dorofeeva-Lichtmann (Taipei, China/France)
Visual Representations in Science and Pseudo-Science in Pre-Modern and Non-Western Cultures
- S-41** Victor Navarro Brotons, Henrique Leitão (Spain/Portugal)
Ideas and instruments in the Iberian world in early modern times (15th to 17th cent.)
- S-42** Jeanne Peiffer, Maria Conforti, Fernando Reis, Jordan Avramov (France/Italy/Portugal/Bulgaria)
The emergence of the periodical form (17th-18th centuries) as an instrument of scientific change
- S-43** Catherine Jami, Laszlo Kontler, Antonella Romano (France/Hungary/Italy)
Science, Space, and Claims to European Domination – The Dynamics of Knowledge from the Renaissance through the Enlightenment
- S-44** Baichun Zhang, Yibao Xu (P.R. China/USA)
The Transmission of Modern Scientific Knowledge from the West to China
- S-45** Alexander Jones, Yanis Bitsakis (Canada/Greece)
The Antikythera Mechanism and its place in the history of science, technology and ideas
- S-46** Giuliana Gemelli, Jean-François Picard, William H. Schneider (Italy/France/USA)
National Funding of Biomedical Research
- S-47** Anne-Lise Rey, Siegfried Bodenmann (France/Switzerland)
Letters at War - Scientific controversies in the correspondences of the 17th and 18th century / La Guerre des Lettres - La controverse scientifique dans les correspondances des 17e et 18e siècle
- S-48** Jean-Gaël Barbara, Cornelius Borck (France/Germany)
Networks of Instrumentation in the Neurosciences
- S-49** Patrice Bret, Brigitte Van Tiggelen (France/Belgium)
Mediators of sciences. Women translators of scientific texts 1600-1850 – Mediatrices de sciences. Femme traductrices de textes scientifiques 1600-1850
- S-50** Barbara Kimmelman, Harro Maat (USA/The Netherlands)
Plants as Ideas and Instruments: A Symposium in Memory of Philip J. Pauly
- S-51** Brigitte Van Tiggelen, Annette Lykknes (Belgium/Norway)
For better or for worse? Collaborative couples in the sciences
- S-52** Brigitte Hoppe, Nicolas Robin (Germany/France)
Formation of experimentation in plant sciences from 18th to 19th centuries
- S-53** Arne Schirrmache, Leszek Zasztowt (Germany/Poland)
Communicating Science in 20th Century Europe: Comparative Perspectives
- S-54** Paul U. Unschuld, Pal D. Buell (Germany/USA)
Sources of East Asian History of Science, Technology, and Medicine
- S-56** Catherine Jami, Christopher Cullen (France/UK)
Communities and Communication in East Asian sciences
- S-57** Angelika C. Messner, Bridie Andrews Minehan (Germany/USA-UK)
Meanings of "Science" in Twentieth and Twenty-First Century East Asia

S-58 Gerard Alberts, Maria Bardosov, Helena Durnova, Thomas Misa (The Netherlands/Ireland/Czech Republic/USA)

Iron curtains and immaterial instruments – The circulation of Software and Computer Science in Cold War Europe

S-59 Pascal Nouvel and Maria-Teresa Brancaccio (France/The Netherlands)

Instruments for modifying and enhancing oneself and their social impact: the case of amphetamines and some of their derivatives

S-60 Ian Burney, Bettina Wahrig (UK/Germany)

Colonizing drugs – constructing the Other in the mirror of (precarious) substances

S-61 Michael Matthews, Costas Skordoulis (Australia/Greece)

Theoretical and Pedagogical Issues in the Teaching of Evolutionary Theory

S-62 Christine Blondel, Ivano dal Prete (France/Italy)

Scientific correspondences in the digital age

S-63 Joan Steigerwald, Philippe Huneman (Canada/France)

Entanglements of Instruments and Media in Investigating Organic Worlds

S-64 Karine Chemla, Richard Yeo (France/Australia)

Working with Pages and Texts

S-65 Gisela Mateos, Maria Rentetzi (Mexico/Greece)

Diverse Cultural Practices in 20th Century Nuclear Physics

S-66 Vincent Guillin, Beth Hannon (France/UK)

Framing the Outer World in the Biological and Human Sciences: A Comparative Historical Perspective

S-67 Nathan Sivin, Xiaochun Sun (USA/P. R. China)

Uses of Cultural Manifolds in Research

S-69 Barton C. Hacker (USA)

The Social History of Military Technology

S-70 Bernhard Fritscher, Miklos Kazmer (Germany/Hungary)

'Spacing earth history': Geological and paleontological sciences in cultural contexts from 17th to 20th centuries

S-71 Peter Heering, Klaus Staubermann (Germany/UK)

Instrumentalizing Social Practice – Socializing Instrumental Practice

S-72 Lars Bluma (Germany)

60 Years of Cybernetics and Information Theory – Ideas, Artefacts and Instruments

S-73 Eric Schatzberg (USA)

Ideas of Technology Across Time and Space: Changing Concepts and Ideologies

S-74 Timo Myllyntaus (Finland)

Technology in the Interaction with Society and the Environment

S-75 Stefan Poser

Playing with Technology

S-76 ICOHTEC

Social Demands and Cultural Influences in Shaping Technology

S-77 ICOHTEC

The Impact of Ideas and Ideologies on Science and Technical Innovations

S-78 ICOHTEC

The Impact of Politics in Technology During the “Cold War”

S-79 ICOHTEC

Special Topics

S-80 Laura Rodríguez, Frédéric Brechenmacher (Germany/France)

Practices, views, and networks in 19th and 20th century mathematics

S-81 Palus Gerdes (Mozambique)

Ethnomathematica (Africa)

S-82 Valeria Giardino, Christophe Heintz, Tamas Tofalvy (Italy/Austria/Hungary)

Visual Cognition in the History of Science

S-83 Kapil Raj, Mau Chuan-hui (France/Taipei, China)

Revisiting Joseph Nedham's 'Rivers and the Sea' Metaphor: The Construction of Modern Science and Technology in a Global Context, 17th-19th Centuries

S-84 Christian Geulen (Germany)

Darwinism after 1945: The State and Fate of 'Evolution' in early Cold War Culture

S-85 Martin Riexinger (Turkey)

Yadollah Sahabi's defence of the theory of evolution

S-86 Daniel Schümann, Kendaniel Kalling (Germany/Estonia)

The early reception of Darwinism in Eastern and Central Europe

S-87 Thomas F. Glick, Hans Henrik Hjerimitslev (USA/Denmark)

The Reception of Darwinism at the Subnational Level: Cities

S-88 Eduard I. Kolchinsky, Thomas Junker (Russia/Germany)

Comparative reception of the synthetic theory of evolution in the Soviet Union, Eastern and Central Europe

S-89 Alexander Soldatov, Victor Shataev (Russia/Ukraine)

The Role of Rail Transport in Development of the Infrastructure in St-Petersburg (Russia) and Kiev (Ukraine) and their Interference in XIX - first half of XX Centuries

S-90 Florent Laroche (France)

Contribution to the preservation of Old technical objects thanks to Advances Industrial archeology

S-91 Galina Smagina, Aleksandar Petrovic, Marina Loskutova, (Russia/Serbia/Russia)

Biography as a genre in different national traditions of writing about science and scientists

S-92 Krishna R. Dronamraju, Istvan Hargittai (USA/Hungary)

History and Development of Molecular Biology

S-93 Imre Hronszky, Gerhard Banse, Armin Grunwald (Hungary/Germany)

History of Prospective Technology Studies

S-94 László Tóth (Hungary)

Brief History of Standardisation in Material Testing

S-95 Peter Felkai, Olivia Lichtscheidl (Hungary/Austria)

History of travel, travel medicine and traveler's medical kits

S-96 Ana Carneiro and Marianne Klemun (Portugal/Austria)

Seeing and Measuring, Constructing and Judging: Instruments in the History of the Earthsciences

S-97 Matteo Valleriani and Marteen van Dyck (Germany/Belgium)

The formation, transmission and (un-)institution of reflective knowledge as framed by specific social conditions

5. Business Meetings

- A) General Assemblies of the IUHPS/DHST;
- B) Council Meetings of the IUHPS/DHST;
- C) General Assembly of the International Academy of History of Science;
- D) Meetings of Commissions/Sections of the IUHPS/DHST;
- E) Meetings of other scientific associations and working groups.

LOC requests that officials from all DHST Commissions and Scientific Sections notify the Congress Secretariat before 30 April 2009 about the estimated number of participants if they wish to hold meetings of Commissions/Sections of the IUHPS/DHST or meetings of other scientific associations and working groups during the congress, so that venues and time can be arranged.

Notifications arriving later than 30 April 2009 will not be considered

6. Other Activities

- A) Display and sale of books on the history of science, technology and relevant subjects;
- B) Various cultural programs and local excursions.

Languages

Official languages of the Congress are English and French.

Paper & Abstract

The Congress accepts one paper per person, be the submitter (*presenting author*) a symposium speaker, or an independent speaker in other sessions. However, a paper submitter (*presenting author*) is free to participate in other symposia/sections in the capacity of organizer, adviser, commentator or debater, etc.

Abstracts must be prepared using the **Abstract Form** available on the Congress website (<http://www.conferences.hu/ichs09>).

All abstracts of the regular sessions will undergo a peer review process. **Abstracts should be uploaded electronically to the Congress website (<http://www.conferences.hu/ichs09>) between 1**

November 2008 and 15 February 2009. Abstract received after 01 March 2009 will not be accepted. *Only one paper per person can be uploaded.*

Authors of the symposia papers will be provided a special pin for uploading their abstracts.

Presenting authors will be informed about the acceptance of their papers by 15 March 2009. **Papers will only be included in the Conference program and the Book of Abstracts, if the presenting author pays the registration fee before the early registration deadline (15 April 2009) or she/he is granted with a free registration by LOC.**

General Information

1. Dates

28 July – 2 August 2009

2. Venue

Corvinus University of Budapest
(Address: Fővám tér 8, H-1093 Budapest)

The Corvinus University of Budapest provides a unique environment. for the Congress offering a wide range of modern, well-equipped session rooms.

3. Registration

All those intending to take part in the Congress are kindly asked to register on-line or using the Registration Form downloaded from the Congress website.

Registration Fees

Before 15 April 2009	EUR 200 including VAT (20%)
After 15 April 2009	EUR 280 including VAT (20%)

The registration fee includes

- Admission to all sessions
- Congress documentation
- Coffee breaks
- Welcome Reception on 27 July 2009
- Morning excursions on 30 July 2009
- Organ concert on 30 July 2009

4. Social events for all registered participants

Welcome Reception on 27 July 2009

Organ concert on 30 July 2009

5. Optional social events

Dinner on the Europa Boat
28 July 2009, Tuesday

price: EUR 60

Congress Dinner
1 August 2009, Saturday

price: EUR 50

6. Morning excursions for all participants on 30 July 2009

Special visits will be organized for the participants to the places of interest connected to Hungarian history, science and culture.

7. Optional tours

To be announced later

8. Payments

Please note the followings:

- Registrations will not be processed without payment.
- Payments can be made by credit card (off-line) or bank transfer.
- You will receive confirmation of your payment by e-mail.

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Please note that payments sent by bank transfer must be free of charges for SCOPE Ltd, and that the cut-off date for early and late registrations will be strictly enforced.

9. Cancellation/refund policy

Cancellation of registration must be submitted in writing via mail, fax or e-mail. Cancellations received before 31 May, 2009 are subject to a 30% administrative fee. No refunds will be paid after 31 May, 2009.

10. Grants

The Local Organizing Committee will provide financial assistance to some presenting authors. In allocating support, preference will be given to applicants from countries facing economic difficulties, as well as to young scholars. In order to assist such colleagues, other applicants are asked to explore other possible sources of help before turning to us. If required, the LOC can provide invitation letters.

LOC GRANTS COVER FREE REGISTRATIONS ONLY.

Under no circumstances can the LOC contribute to travel and accommodation expenses.

Before the application, the authors should submit (upload on the website) an abstract and indicate the title of her/his paper in the Grant Application Form. The Form is available on the Congress website and should reach the Congress Secretariat by 15 February 2009. Successful applicants will be informed by 15 March 2009.

11. Accommodation

Block reservations for ICHST2009 participants and accompanying guests have been made at special rates in several hotels and hostels of different categories with easy access to the Congress. Reservations should be made directly to the hotel by using the reservation form of the selected hotel available on the Congress website.

Please note that the number of rooms is limited in some hotels, therefore you are kindly asked to make your reservation at your earliest convenience but no later than 30 April, 2009.

Please note, the special rates are only valid from 27 July 2009. Prices before that date will be much higher and reservation will be difficult as all hotels will be overbooked due to the Formula-1 Budapest Grand Prix.

After 30 April 2009 reservation is subject to availability.

Hotels and hostels	Room rates (including taxes and breakfast) (EUR/night)		Distance from the Congress venue
	single	double	
<i>Four-star hotels</i>			
Mercure Budapest Korona	130	150	10 minutes walk
Mercure Budapest City Center			10-15 minutes walk
Mercure Budapest Museum	120	140	10 minutes walk
Hotel Gellért (<i>single room with shower</i>)	68	-	10 minutes walk

Hotel Gellért (<i>single room with bath</i>)	90	-	10 minutes walk
Hotel Gellért (<i>standard</i>)	121	137	10 minutes walk
Hotel Gellért (<i>view to Gellert Hill or Danube</i>)	143	159	10 minutes walk
<i>Three-star hotels</i>			
Mercure Budapest Duna	99	110	10 minutes by tram
Ibis Budapest Centrum	96	106	10 minutes walk
Ibis Budapest Emke	90	100	15-20 minutes by tram
<i>One-star hotels and student hostels</i>			
Summer Hotel Hill	20-40	30-60	15 minutes by tram

12. Passport and visa

Participants are required to have their passport be valid at least for 90 days after leaving Hungary.

Hungary is an EU member and the member of the Schengen Agreement. Please, contact your travel agent or local government agency to be sure you have the proper travel documents. You are responsible for arranging a visa if required.

If you need a letter of invitation to apply for visa, please indicate your request when registering.

Please, note that invitation letters for visa purposes will be issued only with completed registration (registration, payment).

13. Currency and payments

The unit of the local currency is the Hungarian Forint (HUF), denoted as "Ft" by the Hungarians. ATMs are available at the Airport and all over the city.

14. Public transportation

Budapest's transport infrastructure is among the best in Europe. An extensive network of bus, trolleybus, tram routes and modern metro system with three lines take travelers to all parts of Budapest.

15. Weather

Hungary is in the temperate zone, the late-July weather is usually nice and warm. Daily temperature ranges from 20oC to 30oC (68F to 86F), and the relative humidity is below 30%.

16. Voltage

The electricity supply in Hungary is 230 V AC (50 Hz).

Important Dates

Deadline for grant application

15 February, 2009

Deadline for abstract submission	15 February, 2009
Very final deadline for abstract submission	01 March, 2009
Deadline for the confirmation of grant applications	15 March, 2009
Deadline for the notification of acceptance/rejection of papers	15 March, 2009
Deadline for early registration	15 April, 2009
Deadline for hotel reservation	30 April, 2009
Opening of the Congress	28 July, 2009