



Dear President,

2011 FIE Congress

The 2011 FIE Congress will be held in Philadelphia (USA), on December 3-4, 2011, at the:

Four Seasons Hotel

One Logan Square, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA
<http://www.fourseasons.com/philadelphia/>

Schedule of Events

Friday, December 2

7 pm: Welcome Reception, Franklin Institute

Saturday, December 3

10 am-4 pm: Congress, Four Season Hotel

5 pm-7 pm: Meetings of the Confederations

Sunday, December 4

10 am-4 pm: Congress, Four Season Hotel

7 pm: Gala, National Constitution Center

A symposium will also be held on Friday December 2 (2 pm-6 pm) at the Four Seasons Hotel. More information will be provided later.

a) Documents

Please find attached the following documents:

- **a participation form** to return to the FIE, either by E-mail at: congress@fie.ch or by fax at: + 41 21 320 31 16, **before November 3rd, 2011**.
- **a proxy form**, for National federations which will not take part in the Congress, to return to the FIE by E-mail or by fax, **before November 3rd, 2011**.

The remaining documents, which are still in development, will be sent to you later.

b) Visas

You are kindly requested to send a legible copy of the page of your passport which shows your names, first names, passport number and photo to:

Karen Kuhlman, USA Fencing international department, international@usfencing.org

In return, an invitation letter will be sent to you, in copy to the Embassy/Consulate of your country.

c) Hotel

Congress participants will be staying at the **Four Seasons Hotel**. The cost of a single room is 263.81 USD, breakfast and taxes included.

The FIE will pay for three (3) nights accommodation for each National Federation's President, directly to the hotel.

All Congress participants, including the Federations Presidents, must reserve their room on the Internet Web site of the Four Seasons Hotel, at:

https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_ei_new&eventID=3413273

d) Transportation

- The FIE will pay to each confederation a subvention for the ticket of the President of each federation.
- A shuttle will be organized between the Philadelphia International airport (round trip) and the Four Seasons Hotel, at FIE's expense.

Based on arrivals and departures announced by delegations, busses with the FIE logo will depart:

- from the Philadelphia airport towards the Four Seasons Hotel, December 1st and 2nd;
- from the Four Seasons Hotel towards the Philadelphia airport, December 5.

More detailed information on the shuttle schedule will be sent later.

In order to optimize the transportation process, Congress participants are requested to send their flight information (arrival and return), **before November 3, 2011**, at the following address: info@fiecongress2011.us

e) Dues - reminder about article 3.3.2 of the Statutes

When a Member Federation has not fulfilled its financial obligations towards the F.I.E. 30 calendar days (00:00 hrs Lausanne time) before the opening day of the Congress, such Member Federation will be prohibited from being represented at the said Congress and from voting, unless exception has been made for a valid reason and accepted by the Executive Committee and such reason shall be announced to the Congress.

Alisher Usmanov
Président

