

# The 2010 Second IOV World Youth Congress (Nanjing, China)

## Purpose and Signification,

Aim to attract more youth to know the importance of the safeguarding and succession of the traditional culture and dedicate themselves into it, IOV will host the second world youth congress in the city of Nanjing, China during 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010. According IOV rules, for youth and their colleges, the congress will be a medium of communication on their common interests, experiences how to dedicate to identify and safeguard our ICH and information on traditional culture.

Proposed Contents and Topics,(Please make more additional proposals)

- A. Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage in Towns and Cities (This will focus on the urban and rural cities' experiences re ICH.)
- B. The role of the Youth in Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage in Towns and Cities
- C. The sustained development of cities and safeguarding and succession of traditional culture.

The congress will be organized by Nanjing Government and IOV China Section together with the World 100 Cultural & Historical Cities Expo. Nanjing. It provides youth from all over world opportunities to attend the celebrations in festival. Moreover, they could visit Nanjing with 600 years history, which is renowned for historical spots, such as Ming Dynasty Wall, the Ming Xiaoling Mausoleum, Sun Yat-sen's Mausoleum, Qianhuai River and Nanjing Yunjin Brocade and its traditional culture.

## Requirements for participants

Participation in this congress will be limited to those **35 years of age or less**. As a delegate to the congress, you will be responsible for the following:

- Obtaining transportation to and from the Shanghai Pudong International Airport or Shanghai Hongqiao Airport at your own expense;
- Obtaining a valid passport issued by your country **at least 6 months prior** to your departure from your country
- Obtaining a **valid visa issued by Chinese Embassy** for entry into the People's Republic of China.
- Providing proof of medical insurance and funds to cover your stay in the U.S.

In addition, delegates are asked to bring their national costume to wear during the opening and

closing ceremony, and at receptions with officials of the City of Nanjing Government.

The Nanjing Government, as your host for this event, is pleased to offer youth delegates the following: (Confirmed already)

- Transportation from, and return to, Shanghai Pudong or Hongqiao Airport;
- Accommodations and some meals in Nanjing.
- The opportunity to take part in opening and closing ceremony of the World Hundred Historical and Cultural Cities Expo. and related performances as a guest .
- An opportunity to visit historical spots of Nanjing.

### **Notice I (More suggestions)**

Since there is limited space, this invitation can only be extended to **a maximum of 10 delegates per country**. In addition to being under 35 years of age, delegates must be current IOV members and have the recommendation of their national IOV section leader. Delegates will be accepted on a first to register basis.

### **Notice II**

Because the congress will take place together with the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of IOV, some elder members could attend it as delegates. But they will not involve in the discussion. You should apply it ahead of the time for us to arrange the accommodations.

### **Notice III**

If you want to have a speech on the congress, the paper, limited in 8 min, should be submitted in the requirement and topics mentioned above **no later than June. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010**. The paper should be written in English. If some special equipments for your speech are necessary, it should be stated clearly in your paper. ( **note: it's just for the represents under 35 year of age**)

Accompanying this invitation is an **APPLICATION FORM** which must be returned by no later than **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010**. Delegates will receive their letter of acceptance in the order their applications and letter of recommendation are received.

Many of you who are over the age of 35 have asked if you might also attend. We will attempt to make provisions for you to take part as an observer if your purpose in coming is to attend the meetings and take home a strategy for organizing IOV youth in your own country.

There will be a special website for introducing the host city, hosts and more details. You will be noticed when the website is finished.

**Look forward for your coming!**