

Press Release

2012 IPA Publishers Congress: It's Cape Town!

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During the closing ceremony of the 28th IPA Publishers Congress in Seoul, Korea, IPA President Ana Maria Cabanellas announced that Cape Town, South Africa, was voted host of the 29th IPA Publishers Congress to be held in 2012.

IPA organises every two years alternately an international Publishers Congress or an international Copyright Symposium, in cooperation with one of its member associations. The IPA Publishers Congress has been an important industry event since its inception in 1896. They aim to offer a platform for full and open discussion among publishers from all over the world on basic industry problems and challenges. The last IPA Publishers Congress just concluded in Seoul, Korea where it was held from 12 to 15 May 2008, and hosted by the Korean Publishers Association.

Ana Maria Cabanellas declares: "I am delighted to hand the IPA Congress flag to Cape Town, the Publishers Association of South Africa (PASA), South Africa and Africa at large. The 29th IPA Publishers Congress will be a unique opportunity to understand the South African publishing industry and the African book market as a whole".

More about IPA:

The International Publishers Association (IPA) is the global non-governmental organisation representing all aspects of book and journal publishing worldwide. Established in 1896, IPA's mission is to promote and protect publishing and to raise awareness for publishing as a force for cultural and political advancement worldwide. IPA is an industry association with a human rights mandate. IPA currently has 65 member associations in 53 countries.

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