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ICN 2023 Congress: Registration and Abstract Submission open!

Geneva, Switzerland; 1 September 2022 – Registration for the International Council of Nurses (ICN) 2023 Congress opened today along with abstract submission and the Congress website!

ICN 2023 will be held in person, 1-5 July 2023, at the Palais de Congrès, Montreal, Canada in partnership with the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA). The 2023 Congress theme is "Nurses together: a force for global health".

ICN 2023 will bring together nurses' renewed strength and energy to make a difference. It will look at how we can build on the lessons learned from the pandemic, to protect nurses' rights, decent working conditions and salaries, to drive nursing leadership and respect for the profession, and have greater impact on health policies at all levels.

ICN Chief Executive Officer Howard Catton said:

"Today we kick off the Congress with the opening of registration and abstract submission, and the launch of our Congress website! We look forward to welcoming nurses across the globe to our 2023 Congress where we will examine many important topics such as nursing leadership, emergency and disaster management, regulation, education, advanced practice nursing roles, sustaining and retaining the nursing workforce, strengthening healthcare systems, and promoting health communities and quality healthcare.

The Congress will give us the opportunity to hear from the world's leading experts and show the impact of the largest healthcare workforce! The event will also highlight the importance of unity, solidarity and collaboration as we come together as a force for global health!"

Tim Guest, CNA Chief Executive Officer said:

"CNA is excited that registration and abstract submissions for ICN 2023 are now officially open! This is the third time that Canada will host an ICN congress, and we are looking forward to welcoming nurses from around the world to Montreal to discuss important topics for the profession, teach, learn, network, and celebrate together the best of global nursing."

ICN encourages early registration to Congress in order to benefit from the early-bird registration fees as well as to rapidly start the visa process for international participants. Discounts are available to ICN members, students and groups. Go to https://icncongress2023.org/ to register now!

Submission of abstracts for an oral or e-poster presentation is also open now until 31 October 2022. Abstracts can be submitted under eight sub-themes: (1) nursing leadership: shaping the future of healthcare; (2) the critical role of nurses in emergency and disaster management: (3) driving the professional practice of nursing through regulation and education; (4) improving the quality and safety of healthcare delivery; (5) advancing nursing practice: pushing the boundaries; (6) growing and sustaining the nursing workforce; (7) promoting and enabling

healthier communities; and (8) addressing global health priorities and strengthening health systems. More information on how to submit an abstract is available here.

The Council of National Nursing Association Representatives, ICN's global governing body, will convene prior to the Congress from 29 June to 1 July 2023. Congress participants who are members of ICN member associations will be able to observe global nursing leaders, identify the profession's priorities and future directions.

ICN will also host a free-of-charge one-day event for undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate nursing students. The ICN Nursing Student Assembly will be held on 30 June and will provide students the opportunity to connect, explore and collaborate on priority issues selected by students themselves.

A commercial and professional exhibition, run concurrently with the Congress, will give universities, health ministries, nursing organisations, publishers, medical device manufacturers, pharmaceutical companies and local artisans the opportunity to showcase their products and services and present the most recent health care information. For more information on how to sponsor or exhibit, please contact <u>Pilar Millan</u>.

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Note to Editors

The **International Council of Nurses** (ICN) is a federation of more than 130 national nurses associations representing the millions of nurses worldwide. Operated by nurses and leading nursing internationally, ICN works to ensure quality care for all and sound health policies globally.

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