

**12th WORLD CONGRESS OF COMPARATIVE
EDUCATION SOCIETIES**

October 25 – 29, 2004

Conference Center of Havana

Havana, Cuba

***Main Theme
Education and Social Justice***

Havana, June 30 2003

Dear Colleague,

The World Council of Comparative Education Societies and the Comparative Education Section of the Association of Cuban Pedagogues call scholars, researchers, educators, educational managers, planners, and other specialists to attend the 12th World Congress of Comparative Education Societies to be held on October 25-29, 2004 at the Conference Center of Havana, Cuba

The World Council of Comparative Education Societies (WCCES) as a non-governmental organization, brings together national and regional societies in this field. WCCES also fosters scientific exchange and debate on the development of education in the world. To this end, since 1970 the WCCES has been organizing a World Congress every three years.

The main objectives of the 12th Congress are:

- To foster an opportunity for debate and joint reflection on the problems and challenges which education is facing worldwide, with an aim to attaining more social justice.
- To learn about the experiences in the field of comparative education studies and to contribute to the upgrading and dissemination of knowledge in the educational field.
- To favor the cooperation among specialists and institutions whose mission is comparative education, either as bilateral actions or through the organization of networks, so as to collaborate in the aim of achieving scientific results.
- To contribute to the fulfillment of the tasks and goals sponsored by UNESCO Lifelong learning for all

See you in Havana in October 2004

Sincerely

Lidia Turner Martí
President
Asociación de Pedagogos de Cuba (APC)

ORGANIZERS

- Association of Cuban Pedagogues (ACP/ APC)
- The World Council of Comparative Education Societies (WCCES)
- Conference Center of Havana, Cuba

SPONSORS

- Ministry of Education (Cuba) (MINED)
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- United Nations Education, Science and Culture Organization (UNESCO)
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THEMES

1. Education, peace, and justice
2. Education in conflict and reconstruction settings
3. Educational policies in a changing world
4. Comparative Education: Theory and Method
5. Lifelong Learning
6. Social Inclusion (Gender, ethnic and migration)
7. Language, Culture, and Education
8. Literacy and Basic Education for all
9. Teacher Education and Teaching Professions
10. Curriculum, Change, and Innovation
11. World of Childhood
12. Higher Education
13. Educational Governance, Planning, Finance, and Management
14. New Technologies, Distance education and learning

PRELIMINARY SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

It includes lectures, workshops, talks, paper presentations, posters, and videos. Some pre-congress workshops will also be held.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES:

Spanish, English, and French.

Simultaneous interpreting in English, French, and Spanish will be provided in the sessions and rooms as scheduled by the Scientific Program Committee.

PAPERS AND ABSTRACTS PRESENTATION RULES

Anyone interested in presenting abstracts and papers based on personal experiences, scientific studies and/or research is kindly requested to comply with the following guidelines:

- Title of the theme (with Capital letters)
- Author(s)
- Institution
- City and Country
- Introduction
- Description of the theme
- Results
- Conclusions
- Type of Presentation (oral, poster or video)
- Proposal of two thematic areas in which you would like your theme be included for presentation.
- E-mail, phone number, fax and address.

Abstracts should not exceed 300 words and the papers should have a maximum length of 10 pages, Arial 12, typed in single space, in paper format A4, elaborated in Word processor, version 6.0 or higher and could be sent in English, French or Spanish via Internet, e-mail or ordinary mail, as long as the Form designed for this purpose is completed (see Annex B).

1. To register your abstract through Internet, please access to the following web site: <http://12wcces.cujae.edu.cu> Then, complete the Form which is in the Registration option in the same web site and confirm your choice .
2. To register your abstract through e-mail, please complete the Form which is in this document in Annex B and send it to pedago@teleda.get.tur.cu
3. To mail your abstract via post, please complete the Form available in Annex B of this document and send it to the following address

Asociación de Pedagogos de Cuba (APC)

Calle 41 No.3603 entre 43 y 45, Playa, Ciudad de la Habana, Cuba.

Papers sent by mail should also be presented in an electronic version. The copy should be printed and sent in a diskette via post office. Papers sent by fax will not be accepted.

Deadline for abstracts and papers April 1, 2004.

A confirmation note of acceptance will be sent to participants once the Scientific Program Commission approves it. This information will be also available in the Congress web site: <http://12wcces.cujae.edu.cu> . The Academic Committee has the right to ask the author(s) any modification aimed at a better understanding and clarity of the paper in line with the purposes of the Congress.

The scheduling of the program will be done to suit the best interests of the Scientific Program Commission .

Papers received after April 1 and before June 30, 2004 will be considered for the Program even though there is no full guarantee of its inclusion in the Congress CD-rom. The organizing commission will do its best to include all proposals received after June 30th, though it cannot specify the possible ways in which it could be presented.

TYPES OF PRESENTATION

Free oral themes, posters and videos.

Oral: Each presentation should last about 10 minutes. Debates will be carried out after certain number of papers are presented .

Poster: It should have the following dimensions 82 cms width (horizontal), and 120 cms length (vertical).

Videos: Should not last more than 15 minutes and should be presented in VHS system with the NTSC 3,58 as the only norm .

AUDIOVISUAL AIDS FOR PAPER PRESENTATION

- Overhead Projector
- Slides Projector
- Personal Computer
- VHS Cassette Player (NTSC 3,58)
- Internet

The information on the audiovisual aids you need for your presentation should be requested in the Presentation Form.. The deadline is June 30th 2004.

The arrangements for the slides, Power Point and video display prior to the presentation are requested so as to check the correct order and sequence. Once the presentation is over, the slides, diskettes, and videos will be returned to the authors.

All the audiovisual aids should be presented at an indicated office at the venue site. They will not be accepted in the rooms for presentation.

No personnel will be available to help you in the presentation. Presenters should run their own presentations.

Paper presentations using computers should follow the following regulations:

- Windows operative system
- Power Point presentation
- CD, 3,5 Diskette presentation, Iomega Zip of 100 mb Support
- For Compact presentations:
 - WinZip version 8,0 (o lower)
 - Winrar versión 2,5 (o lower)
 - Arj
- Corel 9 or 10 image design presentation

Any other application needing other associated programs should have its own installment system. (Quicktime, Acrobat, etc)

REGISTRATION FEES

12th Congress Registration Fees	Till September /2004	Later than September 1 st – till October / 2004
Members of the Comparative Education Societies	\$200.00 US dollars	\$250.00 US dollars
Non Members of the Comparative Education Societies	\$250.00 US dollars	\$300.00 US dollars
Postgraduate students	\$100.00 US dollars	\$150.00 US dollars
Companions	\$60.00 US dollars	\$60.00 US dollars

IMPORTANT NOTE:

- *Companions will pay a fixed rate.*
- *Postgraduate students should send or present a stamped letter with its official letterhead, signed by the director of the school and the corresponding ID*
- *Pre-congress workshops will have an additional rate which will be announced in the Congress web site <http://12wcces.cujae.edu.cu>*

To guarantee your registration, please deposit in US dollars transfer directed to:

Banco Financiero Internacional S.A. Account Number **000015**, located in Línea # 1, Vedado, Ciudad de La Habana, Cuba

To: **Palacio de Convenciones de La Habana, Cuba**

Event: **XII WCCES 2004**

It is a must to **Notify** the date of the deposit to :

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sra. Zósima López Ruiz</i> <i>Organizadora Profesional de Congresos</i> <i>Palacio de Convenciones de la Habana</i> <i>E-mail: zosima@palco.cu</i> <i>Fax: (53-7) 202-8382</i></p>

Your bank transfer receipt will be confirmed 15 days after your notification. The registration rate will not be returned under any circumstances.

Bank transfer will only be accepted till October 1, 2004. We strongly recommend not to do any bank transfers from any US dollars bank.

The registration rate payment from September 1st to October 29th 2004 can also be done at the Conference Center of Havana, during the registration on Monday, October 25th 2004 either in cash or credit cards as long as the credit cards have not been issued from any American bank
Credit Cards not issued from American banks are welcome in Cuba:

- VISA
- CABAL
- MASTER CARD
- VISA ELECTRÓN

Travel checks and money can be changed according to the existing rate and commissions in the the Banco de Crédito y Comercio branch office located in the Conference Center of Havana.

REGISTRATION RIGHTS

Members, non- Members of the Comparative Education Societies and postgraduate students:

- Badge
- Attendance to all scientific activities of the 12th Congress
- Attendance to the social activities (according to the general program)
- A folder containing the Congress documentation (Scientific program, CD-Rom, notebook, pen, and the program of the cultural activity)
- Certificate of Attendance
- Author/paper presentation certificate

Companions

- ❑ Badge
- ❑ Companion program
- ❑ Cultural night program
- ❑ Souvenir
- ❑ Attendance to the opening and closing activities of the 12th Congress
- ❑ Attendance to the social activities (according to the general program)

Admission to all the activities of the 12th WCCES World Congress is strictly by badge

If you are interested in participating, please fill in the registration form which is available in Annex A of this booklet, confirm by filling the registration form in the Congress web site: <http://12wcces.cujae.edu.cu>. or send it via e-mail to the Organizing Committee pedago@teleda.get.tur.cu

The Organizing Committee wishes to apply a discount rate to participants who permanently live or work in low-income countries. For further information please check the Congress web site <http://12wcces.cujae.edu.cu>

INVITATIONS

Any participant who might need personal invitations for administrative purposes, please request it from the president of the Local Organizing Committee:

<p><i>Dr. Lidia Turner Martí</i> <i>E-mail:</i> <i>pedago@teleda.get.tur.cu</i></p>
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www.havanatur.cu

Public prizes in US dollars/ per night / per person

HOTEL	Double room	Single room
Palco****	42.00	58.00
Meliá Habana****	69.00	105.00
Panorama/Miramar****	58.00	78.00
Copacabana****	52.00	72.00
Comodoro****	45.00	65.00
Neptuno/Tritón***	42.00	58.00
Bellocaribe***	38.00	48.00

SERVICES INCLUDED IN THE GENERAL PROGRAM:

Transfers in/out.
Accommodation with breakfast included
Hotel /venue / hotel transfer.
Transfer to all official activities.
City tour and transfer to all opening and closing activities for companions
Flight reconfirmation .
Assistance in airport and hotels.
Bilingual tour guide.
Personalized. assistance

SERVICES NOT SPECIFIED ARE NOT INCLUDED.

In the next calls, the Organizing Committee will provide information on other more economical accommodation .

Information on optional tours and hotels can be obtained from the representatives of the Conference Center of Havana and Havanatur offices abroad.

In the venue of this 12th WCCES congress, an information desk and another one to make payments will be available for the participants. The details on the bank account for money transfer will be provided by the corresponding agencies. Anyone interested should fill in the **Hotel Booking Form**, which you can find in the Annex C. Send the form to:

CONFERENCE DEPARTMENT OF HAVANATUR
OFFICIAL TOUR AGENCY OF THE PALACIO DE CONVENCIONES: www.havanatur.cu

VISAS

In the countries where there is no Havanatur agency or a representation of the Conference Center of Havana, the participants should contact the Cuban diplomatic representations for visa proceeding.

In case there is no Cuban diplomatic representation in your home country, you could be helped in your travel procedures. Please send a fax to Dr. Lidia Turner Martí, President of the Local Organizing Committee and President of the Association of Cuban Pedagogues (APC) , a photocopy of your passport with the pages indicating the place and date of birth, nationality, passport number, date and place of its issue so you could be helped in your travel procedures.

WELCOME AT JOSÉ MARTÍ INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Participants who contract the services of Havanatur agency, the official tour agency of this event will be welcomed at the airport and be provided with the necessary and corresponding assistance.

The Local Organizing Committee in coordination with the Havanatur agency will create the welcome and support commission at the international airport to provide the necessary assistance to the Congress participants and VIP's.

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VENUE

Information on the Conference Center of Havana, Cuba (Palacio de Convenciones de La Habana, Cuba), is available in our web site <http://www.complejopalco.com>

THE WORLD COUNCIL OF COMPARATIVE EDUCATION SOCIETIES EXECUTIVE BOARD (WCCES)

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LIST OF MEMBER SOCIETIES OF THE WORLD COUNCIL OF COMPARATIVE EDUCATION SOCIETIES (WCCES). Check our WCCES WEB site: www.hku.hk/cerc/wcces

REPRESENTATIVE AGENCIES OF THE PALACIO DE CONVENCIONES DE LA HABANA. Check our WEB site: www.complejopalco.com

OFFICIAL TOUR AGENCY. Check our WEB site: www.havanatur.cu

ANNEXES

FORMS

- A.-Registration Form**
- B.- Paper presentation Form**
- C.- Accommodation Form**

REGISTRATION FORM

Payment choice		<input type="checkbox"/> Bank Transfer	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Cash	
Personal information			
Name(s)		Sex	<input type="checkbox"/> Female
			<input type="checkbox"/> Male
Surnames			
Address			
City	State	Country:	
P.O.Box	Phone:		
e-mail:	Fax:		
Professional Information			
Qualification:	Post:		
Institution:			
Address:			
City:	State:	Country:	
Local residents in Cuba			
ID:			
Foreign delegates:			
Passport Number:	Nationality		
Participant status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Member of the Comparative Education Societies		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non -Member of the Comparative Education Societies.		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Student		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Companions		
Registration date:			

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please complete this form. No incomplete form will be processed

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PAPER PRESENTATION FROM
Deadline June 30, 2004

Name(s)		Sex	<input type="checkbox"/> Female
			<input type="checkbox"/> Male
Surnames			
Address			
City	State		Country:
P.O.Box		Phone:	
E-mail:		Fax:	
Paper title:			
Names of co authors: (Complete below)	Institution: (complete below)		
Abstract: (complete below)			
Types of presentation preferred:	<input type="checkbox"/> Oral	<input type="checkbox"/> Póster	<input type="checkbox"/> Video
Thematic areas for your paper: (two proposals)	<input type="checkbox"/> Code and name of the thematic area		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Code and name of the thematic area		
Audiovisual aids:	<input type="checkbox"/> Overhead projector.		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Slides projector.		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Data show.		
	<input type="checkbox"/> VHS		
	<input type="checkbox"/> PC		

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HOTEL BOOKING FORM

Name(s):						
Surnames:						
Country:						
e-mail:				Fax:		
Hotel :			Room:	<input type="checkbox"/> Double		
				<input type="checkbox"/> Single		
Arrival date:			Airline:			
Departure date:			Airline:			
			Flight No.:			
			Flight No.:			

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DRAFT PROGRAM OF ACTIVITES

October 25, 2004

Morning /afternoon: Transfer to the Conference Center . Registration.
WCCES session
Optional pre-congress workshops in the Ministry of Education facilities

Evening: Transfer to the welcome reception

October 26, 2004

Morning: Transfer to the Conference Center.
Opening ceremony.
Working session
Lunch break

Afternoon: Working session
Open Forum at the University of Havana

Evening: Free

October 27, 2004

Morning : Transfer to the Conference Center.
Working session
Transfer to the Conference Center.

Afternoon: Working sessions

Evening: Transfer to the cultural night performance

October 28, 2004

Morning: Transfer to the Conference Center
Working session
Lunch break

Tarde: Working sessions

Evening Free

29 de Octubre/04

Morning: Transfer to the Conference Center..
Working session
Lunch Break

Afternoon: Closing ceremony

Evening Optional farewell activity

NOTE:

- *Optional visits to Cuban educational centers, university campuses and cultural centers will be available on October 27-28.*
- *For further information check <http://12wcces.cujae.edu.cu>*