



Call for Expressions of Interest to Co-Host the WADEM Congress on Disaster and Emergency Medicine in 2029


The World Association for Disaster and Emergency Medicine (WADEM) is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from professional associations, academic/research institutions, non-governmental organizations, or non-profit organizations to co-host WADEM's biennial Congress on Disaster and Emergency Medicine in 2029. The congress's location rotates among major geographical regions and takes place in the odd-numbered years, most recently in Tokyo from 2-6 May 2025. The next congress will occur in Paris from 26-30 April 2027.




The goals of the congress are to provide an exceptional scientific program, contribute to the development of disaster medicine, facilitate global networking opportunities, and deliver a memorable delegate experience. The congress typically attracts a large international audience of health professionals, researchers, and policymakers from hospitals, medical centers, health authorities, non-governmental organizations, WHO and UN agencies, and academia. Historically, the average attendance at the congress was between 800 and 1,000 delegates. Attendance at the Tokyo Congress exceeded 1,300, making it the largest congress in recent memory.

Before submitting an Expression of Interest, please review the [Congress Overview page](#) on the WADEM website. In a one-page submission, include the following:

1. Information about the proposed co-hosting organization, including:
 - Mission statement
 - Year founded
 - Number of members (*if any*) and staff
 - Organization's website URL
 - Name of proposed local chair
2. Proposed city
3. Proposed venue (or venues)
4. Proposed dates in 2029
5. Name of the convention & visitor bureau (CVB) the organization will be working with (*if any*)

Please send the EOI submission as a Word or PDF document by **31 July 2025** to Andrew Lavelle, Executive Officer, at - alavelle@wadem.org. Upon review by WADEM, qualified organizations will be invited to submit a formal proposal.

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