Purpose and Scope
The 23rd IIR International Congress of Refrigeration will present the latest research data, scientific proof and impartial discussions in the fields of:

- Thermodynamics and transfer processes
- Refrigeration equipment
- Cryophysics, cryoengineering, liquefaction and separation of gases
- Cryobiology, cryomedicine
- Food science and engineering
- Refrigerated storage and transport
- Air conditioning, heat pumps and energy recovery

Congress Format
- Plenary sessions with distinguished speakers (5)
- Keynote presentations (>10)
- Oral and posters presentations (>500)
- IIR Working Parties and Sub-commission meetings (12)
- IIR Commission meetings (10)
- Exhibition of state-of-the-art technologies and laboratory equipment
- Technical visits to unique sites
- Side events – workshops, short courses
- Welcome party, concert of Baroque music, gala dinner with awards ceremony
- Programme for accompanying persons

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS
Call for Abstracts

Join world experts to submit an original paper within the congress scope – a complete list of themes can be downloaded from the Congress Web site. The Web site also provides the Guidelines for Authors, and other key information and details. Both abstracts and papers will be reviewed by at least two experts in the field.

Dates
Abstract submission deadline  5 November 2010
Full paper submission deadline  18 February 2011

Proceedings
Thomson Reuters is interested in evaluating the Congress proceedings for possible inclusion in Conference Proceedings Citation Index (CPCI). CPCI is searchable through the Web of Science platform, and replaces the ISTP Proceedings database. The proceedings will also be searchable through search engines such as Google Scholar.

Extended versions of selected papers presented at the Congress can be published in the International Journal of Refrigeration (IJR). The candidate papers will be identified during the review process, and recommended to the IJR editors.

Hot Topics
• Energy use and energy efficiency (all refrigeration fields)
• Advances in vapor compression cycles and equipment design
• Carbon footprint for food products and cold chain technologies
• Delivery of ready-to-eat foodstuffs and horticultural products
• Efficient heat and mass transfer processes
• Food product traceability, temperature and quality monitoring, refrigerated food authenticity
• Hydrogen liquefaction, processing and storage (hydrogen economy)
• Thermal comfort and indoor air quality
• Legislation and policy (equipment safety, climate change, efficiency labeling)
• Low-GWP refrigerants for the future (next generation, natural)
• Lubrication for future refrigerants
• Minimization of refrigerant charge
• Novel concepts and alternative cooling technologies (magnetic, acoustic, water, etc.)
• Onshore liquefied natural gas (LNG) distribution systems
• Predictive food microbiology and risk analysis
• Progress and applications in developing countries
• Refrigeration and cold chain management
• Refrigeration concepts related to carbon capture and storage
• Role of refrigeration and heat pump systems in climate change mitigation
• Safety and quality assurance in preservation of cells/tissues and organs for transplantation
• Solar cooling, solar-assisted heat pumps
• Standards and guidelines (all refrigeration fields)

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One can also enjoy Czech hospitality and friendliness. The Czech Republic is renowned for its beer and a long beer brewing history. Today, there are over 400 original beer brands in the Czech Republic. The best-known brands are Pilsner Urquell and Budweiser Budvar. Football and ice hockey are very popular national sports. The most famous players are Pavel Nedvěd and Petr Čech in football, and Jaromír Jágr in ice hockey.

Refrigeration has a long-standing tradition in Czech industry and science, with many examples of original equipment developed and produced in the country. Some of the most recognized brands have been ČKD, Škoda, Ferox and Frigera. Former Czechoslovakia became a member country early in the history of the IIR; in 1921. Major political changes in 1989 lead to several new ventures.

Venue

The Prague Congress Centre is the largest conference centre in the Czech Republic, with a beautiful panoramic view of Prague with its Castle, Downtown, and the Vltava River.

Address: 5. května 65, 140 00 Praha 4, Czech Republic, www.kcp.cz

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