EUROPEAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION / ECC

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

To host the ECC in the year 2023-24

1. Introduction

Since 2015 Christians all over Europe met before the DEKT in Stuttgart/Germany, with the aim to organize a major event in Europe, called from now on the European Christian Convention/ECC.

Meanwhile the ECC is an AISBL, according to Belgium right with an elected board of 14 persons from different European countries and denominations. Different Associations, as well as individual persons are members of the ECC. The ECC is open to other associations and individuals you wish to become a member.

With this call for application we invite European local communities, cities, churches to apply for becoming the hosting city of this major European event, which will take place in 2023-24.

2. Preliminary information for the application
2.1. Numbers

-Date**:** In 2023 or 2024

-Duration: up to 5 days

-People to participate: up to 10.000-15.000 persons (local and from different European countries)

2.2. Requests for the location

- Accessibility from all over Europe by transport (air, train, bus/car)

- Public transport facilities within the city/the region

- Possibility of accommodation: hotels, rooms to let, public and church buildings, schools etc.

- Space for outdoor events (concerts, services), including adequate technical infrastructure

- Space for indoor events (for exhibitions, panel discussions, fora, hearings, seminars…), including adequate technical infrastructure

- Rootedness in/ownership of society/churches/communities

- Cooperation of different Churches and civil society

- Experience in organisation of similar scaled events (e.g. knowledge in administrative procedures)

2.2. Request for the ownership

- Ecumenical sponsorship (at minimum consisting out of representative networks or organisations from catholic, protestant and orthodox religious families)

- Capability of major financial support of the event

- Cooperation with the association ECC for the development of the programme

- Cooperation with local and/or regional actors out of Church and Society

- Identification with the basic guidelines of the ECC as a pluralistic and European event

- Description of special outcome of the event in your region and for Europe in general

-Cooperation with the ECC board and members of ECC

3. Application

After having checked the above preliminary requests (2.2. and 2.3.) and in order to apply for candidate to host the ECC, you have to write an application to the following address:

Email: mail@european-christian-convention.eu

In your application you should state
   a. Why you think you would like to host the ECC?
   b. Why you think you could be considered as a possible place to host the ECC?
   c. Which are your preliminary criteria, which make you a possible candidate?
   d. Who is the applicant and who are the possible partners?

4. Deadline of the application: March 31, 2019