

REPORT ON PREPARATIONS FOR THE ISDC 2011
WASHINGTON, DC (Crystal City)
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This text is a short report on the preparations for the 2011 International System Dynamics Conference in Washington, DC, the conference dates are July 24-28, 2011.

A contract has been signed with the Hyatt Regency Crystal City Hotel, located just outside Washington DC in Arlington, VA. Hotel room reservations will be arranged through the hotel directly. An accommodations booking form will be included with the registration brochure. There is a fixed price of \$169.00 (plus 10.25% tax = \$186.32) for the sleeping room, regardless of occupancy, up to four people in one room. There are reduced price rooms for students and staff at \$129.00 (plus 10.25% = \$142.22; 25% of room block only).

PRECONFERENCE PLANNING: A trip to the Hyatt Regency Crystal City Hotel is being discussed, possibly scheduled for late February.

HOTEL REQUIREMENTS:

- Guest Room Minimum: 1120, with two-tiered reduction (10% at any time, 20% by 08/10)
- Food and Beverage Minimum: \$40,000.00

CONFERENCE BUDGET: There is no proposed budget at this time.

- Audio-visual Equipment: Before signing the contract, we have negotiated with the in-house AV provider to receive 35% discount on all rented equipment, Complimentary Flip Charts in all meeting rooms, Complimentary Laptop Audio in all required rooms, Extended discounts on room sets (based from standard equipment rates, Complimentary Rental of Equipment for last day of event. The early quote was estimated at \$24,000 which is within range of full AV rental.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM: Volunteer Program Co-chairs will be voted on at the January 2010 PC Meeting.

No **SOCIAL PROGRAM**, touring and/or spouse program has yet been proposed. More and more additional, optional activities are coming up.

CONFERENCE TEAM (tentative):

Conference Partner: To Be Announced

Conference Host Institutions: Powersim Solutions, Inc.

Conference Chairs: Imrana Umar

Organizing Committee (to date): William Ryder, Warren Tignor, Lou Mauro, Fred Affeldt

Program Co-chair (proposed): Jim Lyneis and George Richardson

Workshop Chair (tentative): Jack B. Homer

Modeling Assistance Workshop Coordinators (tentative): Jack Homer and Rod MacDonald

Workshop Coordinator (tentative): Hazhir Rahmandad

PhD Colloquium Coordinators: To Be Announced

Conference Manager: Roberta L. Spencer

and many other volunteers.

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Best regards, The DC Conference Team