

Congress: 13-16 August 2009

## Social program

Welcome Dinner

Cape Town International Convention Centre

Thursday 13 August 2009

## Excursions

Cape Point and Groot Constantia winery

Friday 14 August 2009

## Gala dinner

Cape Town International Convention Centre

Saturday 15 August 2009

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## IIPF Membership fees

One-year subscription	€120
Three-year subscription	€180
One-year subscription (members under 31 years old)	€ 72
Three-year subscription (members under 31 years old)	€108

## Congress 2009 fees

Submission fee (non-members only)	€ 20
This fee is creditable against a membership subscription	
Non-members who wish to present a paper at the Congress are required to join the IIPF	

## Registration fee until 30 June 2009

Members	€250
Non-members	€370
Accompanying persons	€200

## Registration fee from 1 July 2009

Members	€350
Non-members	€470
Accompanying persons	€250

## Important dates

Deadline for submission of papers: Saturday 31 January 2009

Notification of acceptance: Tuesday 14 April 2009



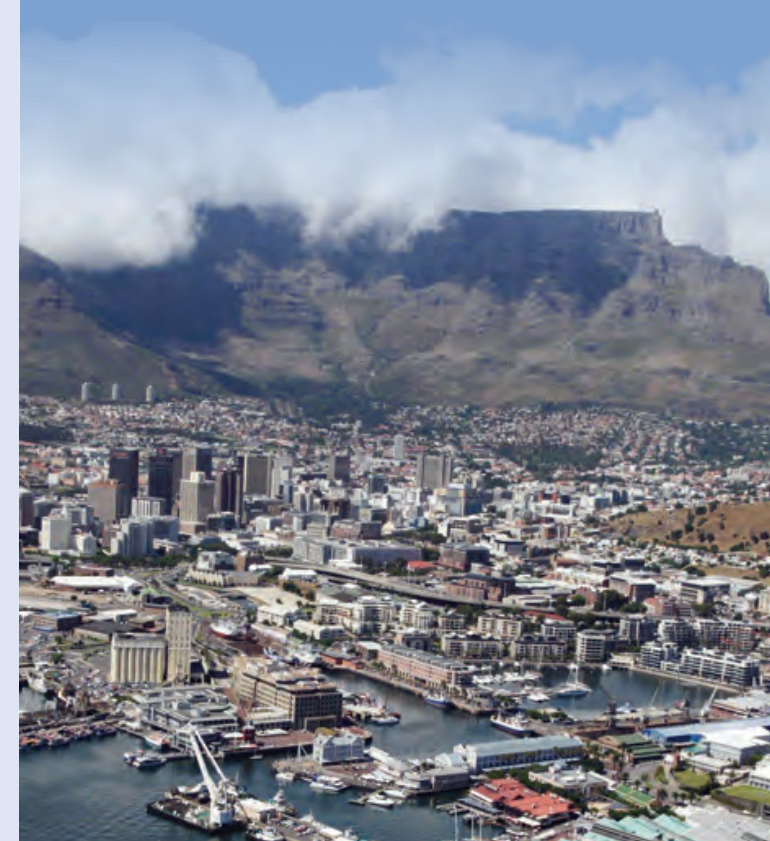
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## Welcome message

I am pleased to invite members of the International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF) as well as everyone else interested in the topic to attend the 65th Congress of the IIPF which will be hosted by the University of Pretoria at the Cape Town Convention Centre in South Africa in August 2009.

The University is the leading research university in South Africa and one of the largest in the country. In 2008, student numbers totaled 57 409 with the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences, which hosts the School of Economics, the largest Faculty in the University. The University celebrates its Centenary in 2008.

Under the chairmanship of Professor Ravi Kanbur from Cornell University an excellent scientific committee will ensure that the academic content of the papers to be presented lives up to the high standards that the IIPF is known for. The theme of the Congress "Public Policy and Development" is extremely topical and we look forward to receiving new insight into this problem that would not only add value to the current literature but also offer practical policy alternatives.

The Congress is held in Cape Town since it is one of the top tourist destinations in the world. Therefore, the social program will explore the beauty that Cape Town offers with, for example, a visit to Cape Point which is where the Atlantic and Indian Oceans meet.

I look forward to welcoming you to the Cape Town Convention Centre.

**Niek Schoeman**

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## About the IIPF

The aims of the Institute are the study of Public Finance and Public Economics, research in these fields, and the establishment of contacts and exchange of opinions on these issues among persons of all nationalities. Membership of the IIPF has grown steadily and now stands at over 800 members from more than sixty countries. In an academic field which is becoming increasingly specialized, the IIPF seeks to generate intellectual interchanges among all who research, teach or practice in the areas of Public Finance and Public Economics. Members are from universities and the civil service, from industrialized as well as developing countries. The major activity of the Institute is its annual Congress in which the IIPF promotes academic debates and exchanges of opinions on topics of common interest, and contributes to the worldwide dissemination of the results of scholarly work and of practical experiences.

The current IIPF President is Hans-Werner Sinn, University of Munich, Germany. He is assisted by two Vice Presidents: Robin Boadway, Queen's University, Canada, and John Wilson, Michigan State University, USA. Advantages of membership in the IIPF are among other things a reduced congress registration fee, free subscription to the journal "International Tax and Public Finance" and reduced subscription rates for the journals "FinanzArchiv" and "National Tax Journal". You can apply for membership at [www.iipf.org](http://www.iipf.org).



## The venue and surrounding area

Situated on the outskirts of the Central Business District, the Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC) is close to the vibrant beat of the city's heart. Many of the city's landmarks, shops, buildings and cultural attractions are only a few minutes walk from the CTICC. The nearby V&A Waterfront, with its mesmerizing list of restaurants, boutiques, malls, and creative characters, remains the country's most visited venue. This is indeed a city that embraces its ancient and recent history, fusing it with a sense of cutting-edge design, contemporary fashion, and social chic.

One of the landmarks of Cape Town, namely Table Mountain, offers spectacular views in all directions and gives a birds eye view of the city. The upper cable car station is situated at 1067 metres and the revolving cable cart makes sure that your trip up and down gives you a good look in all directions. The famous Robben Island, whose prison was once home to former South African president Nelson Mandela as well as many other black political freedom fighters, is now a World Heritage Site and provides stunning views across the bay with Table Mountain as its backdrop.

## Congress Theme

The theme of the Congress is Public Policy and Development, and focuses on how the tools and methods of public economics can serve to understand the processes of development, and to help design policies that can accelerate development. A broad range of questions falls under the purview of the general theme, encompassing issues like expenditure, taxation and fiscal balance; poverty and inequality; regulation; implications of globalization; national, regional and global public goods; the role of development assistance; and the political economy of public policy choice. Plenary speakers will be invited to address this range of topics.

While the theme of the congress is public policy and development, contributing papers on any topic within the field of public economics will be considered, as is tradition at IIPF congresses. Submissions are invited by all public finance economists in their respective fields of speciality.

For more information see:

<http://www.iipf2009.co.za>

<http://www.iipf.org/cng09.htm>