Important dates

January 31, 2008: Deadline for submissions (priority is given to full papers instead of abstracts)
April 30, 2008: Notification of acceptance
June 30, 2008: Deadline for early registration fee
August 22-25, 2008: 64th IIPF Congress, Maastricht, Netherlands

The papers to be presented will be selected by the Scientific Committee. Submission of a paper is considered as a commitment to attend the congress and become an IIPF member, subject to the condition that the paper is accepted by the Scientific Committee. The registration and membership fees are due upon acceptance. Non-members must pay a 20-euro submission fee that will be credited against their membership fee when joining the IIPF as a member and provided their paper is accepted for presentation.

Registration fees

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About IIPF
The international Institute of Public Finance (IIPF) is the world association of public finance economists. The current President is Hans-Werner Sinn, University of Munich, Germany. He is assisted by two Vice Presidents: Robin Boadway, Queen's University, Canada, and Pierre Pestieau, University of Liège, Belgium.
Advantages of membership in the IIPF are among other things 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.
It will be a pleasure to welcome you in the beautiful city of Maastricht to the 64th Congress of the IIPF. The charm of a compact old city, superb shopping facilities, an outstanding gastronomic tradition and the Burgundian lifestyle of the population all combine to make Maastricht into a popular weekend destination. The Dutch Tourist Board ranked Maastricht as the country’s most popular destination.

Maastricht has also beautiful surroundings: a rolling countryside dotted with magnificent chateaux, wineries, and bronze-oak woods. A visit to Maastricht can be combined with a stay in a countryside lodging.

The theme of the conference is “Demography and Pensions” and focuses on the implications and causes of population aging and childlessness. What are the consequences of an aging population for economic development, for the sustainability of pension and early retirement systems and for health-care systems? Can immigration and family policies mitigate some of the consequences? These and similar questions will be on the public policy agenda for years to come.

While the main theme of the conference will be aging, population policies, pension systems, and economic development, contributed papers on any topic within the field of public economics will also be considered, as is traditional at IIPF congresses.

We look forward to seeing you at Maastricht in August 2008.

Tom van Veen
Chair, Local Organizing Committee
Dept of Economics
Faculty of Economics and Business Administration
Maastricht University

The Congress will be held at the former Jesuit monastery in which the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration of Maastricht University is located, in the historical centre of Maastricht. Facilities for both large and small groups are available. All conference rooms are equipped with a computer, beamer and internet connection. For presentations, participants can bring their USB stick or plug in their laptop.

The conference venue is within walking distance from the inner city hotels and from the Maastricht central train station.

The Scientific Committee is chaired by
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A social program will be available for all registered participants.

Welcome reception
Hosted by the city of Maastricht, the welcome reception will be held in the Town Hall on Friday August 22nd, at 19.30h.

Lunches
Lunch will be served on Friday August 22nd, Saturday August 23rd and Sunday August 24th at the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Maastricht University.

Gala Dinner
The gala dinner will be held on the evening of Saturday the 23rd starting at 20.30h. An attendance fee will be charged.

Excursion
On Sunday the 24th an excursion through the surroundings of Maastricht will start after lunch and will last until approximately 20.00h.

Partner program
A program for partners of the participants will be available during the congress.