



19th ISFL World Conference – July 2026

The ISFL organises its World Conference every three years, bringing together academics, practitioners, policy-makers and students from around the world to exchange ideas and perspectives on current and emerging issues in family law.

At its meeting in Buenos Aires on 12 April 2024, the ISFL Council will award the organisation of the 19th ISFL World Conference, to be held in July 2026. Proposals can be sent to the ISFL president, Frederik Swennen at president@isfl.world.

The following 4 P-criteria are considered relevant and should be addressed by the convener in the conference proposal. Inspiration can be found on the [18th World Conference's archival page](#). Among equivalent proposals, priority will be given to proposals from **Asia, Africa** or **Oceania** to ensure geographical rotation.

People

- The name(s) of the full member(s) promoting the bid and details of a SPOC for ISFL.
- A proposed composition of the organising team (including experience and expertise)
- A proposed composition of the scientific committee
- The expected number of speakers and registrants

Programme

- Proposed dates (min. 3, max. 5 days; taking into account national and religious holidays and possible clashes with other conferences in the same destination or on family law)
- Working title and abstract of conference theme(s)
- Outline of the academic programme (panels, individual papers, poster sessions, etc.)
- Proposal for a social programme for participants and their guests
- A retrospective schedule (timeline) for both conveners and registrants
- Communication strategy

Place

- Conference destination: accessibility for international registrants (travel, visa requirements) and attractiveness (climate, security, tourism, mobility, affordability)
- Description of conference venue (including accessibility, capacity for plenary and breakout rooms, space for networking and working, and facilities and equipment for speakers, registrants and ISFL Council)
- Accommodation for participants and guests

Price

- A draft budget, including potential governmental and non-governmental financial support, and a contingency plan for unforeseen circumstances (such as a pandemic).
- Proposed registration fee(s) and social programme fees
- Estimated budget for registrants' expenses (hotel, public transport, etc.)
- The World Conference is organized for the benefit of the ISFL: it is an important source of income. The conference convener will liaise with the ISFL Treasurer regarding the conference accounts.