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World Design Summit Montreal 2017 - 10 Days to Change the World, 2nd Call for Proposals.

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For the 54th IFLA World Congress, Landscape Architects are invited to convene at The World Design Summit Montréal 2017. An unprecedented international event during which practitioners, academics and stakeholders from all over will gather together to address a broad spectrum of issues related to the various disciplines of design. While bolstering the political assembly that follows, the event starts with an international congress which sessions will foster crossovers and the exchange of knowledge both between and within these disciplines, as well as to congregate a wide range of contents and perspectives.

The 2nd Call for proposals is now live. Building on a successful first Call for Proposals that generated some 350 submissions from 40 countries, the Interdisciplinary Scientific and Professional Committee of the **World Design Summit 2017** is pleased to unveil the **108 topics** that will frame discussions and debates at the Congress component of the World Design Summit, from October 16 to 20, 2017. Please check, <https://www.topics.worlddesignsummit.com/>

The 108 topics declined from the 6 framing themes were selected with the goal of fostering quality, excellence and critical thinking and build a program worthy of the World Design Summit's ambition: **bringing about change through design.** Papers are accepted in their broadest

The papers that will be selected must explore innovative and challenging issues related to these topics. They must provide innovative insights on how to attain change, therefore contributing to the objectives of the summit: that is, to demonstrate the tremendous transformative power of design to create viable solutions for the global social, economic, cultural and environmental challenges we face worldwide.

A short statement (40 words) that clearly states the position of the paper and its innovative and transformative content must be included in each submission. Interested applicants will be able to submit their proposals on the dedicated platform [here](#) from March 13th 2017 9am. (Eastern Standard Time) to June 4th 2017 5pm (Eastern Standard Time).

You can find updates about the call for papers on the [IFLA website](#).

From our members: The deadline for the submission of abstracts to the ICON LA International Conference has been extended. **This is now 31 March 2017.** This international scientific conference in landscape architecture in St. Petersburg, Russia is dedicated to the three main “pillars” of landscape architecture (design, planning and management). Full details of the conference – and the call is [here](#).

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