IASP, the Indian Association for the Study of Population, will host the 29th International Population Conference at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre, 5-10 December 2021, in collaboration with the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, IUSSP.

**IASP** is a professional association of Indian demographers, public health specialists and development scientists, with a membership of about 1,000. Its members have played key advisory roles to various arms of the government, including the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, and the Registrar General and Census Commissioner. The Association holds annual conferences to share new research and techniques. It publishes *Demography India*, a leading Indian journal that disseminates peer-reviewed research on topics of relevance to population sciences and development.

**The IUSSP** is the largest international association of population specialists. With over 2,000 members from 140 countries, the IUSSP brings together researchers, policy makers and others from diverse disciplinary backgrounds to address key issues with regard to population and sustainable development. Since 1928, the IUSSP has been organising the International Population Conference, which now takes place once every 4 years.

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THE INTERNATIONAL POPULATION CONFERENCE (IPC) is the world’s largest international event in the population and development field. It brings together population scientists, programme managers and policy makers to review the latest thinking and evidence in population sciences. Sustainable development, and possible actions and policy responses to the challenges posed by population change are key issues to be deliberated upon at the conference.

Researchers, policy makers and development experts will share best practices, learn about recent scientific research, discuss programmes and policies which address current and future population concerns, and debate solutions for critical issues confronting the world. The conference also provides capacity building to highlight new areas for research and hone skills in using sophisticated and state-of-the-art methodologies for measuring demographic change and programme impact. All submissions to the conference undergo a rigorous peer-reviewed selection process to ensure high quality standards.

Over two thousand researchers, policy makers and practitioners from more than 140 countries are expected to attend IPC 2021.

IPC2021 presents a unique opportunity to highlight India’s achievements in the population, health and development arenas. Key themes of the conference are of particular relevance to India, and will stimulate policy initiatives that will touch millions of lives, including:

- **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** and review of progress made towards attaining the SDGs by 2030 including evidence-based best programme practices that will accelerate the pace of change as well as potential challenges that must be overcome.

- **Public health**, disease patterns of the 21st century and implications for healthy living.

- **Women’s empowerment**, changing gender roles, facilitating factors and implications for national development.

- **Rural-urban migration**, the growth of the urban population and what this means for cities, jobs, urban health and infrastructure needs.

- **Big data**, how these data may be used to understand development concerns and the kinds of software needed to exploit big data for development.

- **A demographic dividend**, the likelihood that it will be reaped, and challenges faced in ensuring that boys and girls, young men and young women are educated, skilled and healthy.

- **An ageing population**, the needs of the elderly, and policy and programme implications for the social and economic wellbeing of the elderly.

- **Climate change** and environmental issues, and their effects on development, population health and urban growth.