Third Call For Papers
11th International Conference on Rail Transportation

22-23 October 2009
RAZI Auditorium – Tehran

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November 2008

IN THE NAME OF GOD

With the blessings of Almighty and following the all-aspect welcome by different organizations, experts, academics and industrialists, The Iranian Association of Rail Transport Engineering, the NGO which has most of the Iranian railway industry actors under its umbrella with the collaboration of Tehran Urban and Suburban Railway Co. (Metro) and Islamic Republic Railway Company intends to hold the 11th International Rail Transportation Conference in October 2009. The 4th Railway Industries Exhibition is also planned to be held on the sidelines of the Conference.

During this event, with great emphasize on rail transport as a prerequisite of sustainable development, the views and achievements of experts, academics, researchers, specialists and industrialists shall be exchanged and speakers shall address key issues of rail industry.

All interested individuals and industries are invited to participate in the Conference and/or at the sideline Exhibition

**Scientific Committee Jury shall select best four articles and papers on each topic and selected articles and papers will be granted cash allowances for lesser pilgrimage to Holy Mecca and appreciation plates. Second and third ranking papers on each topic shall also be granted precious rewards. Selected articles will be printed and published in the proceedings of the Conference as well as the specialized monthly periodical of the Association.

International Exhibition
The 4th International Exhibition of "Rail Industry Achievements" with active participation and presence of domestic and foreign companies and related industries representatives, workshops and roundtable discussions will take place on the sidelines of the conference.

Pivotal Topics
**Rail transport economy and management**
1- The market share of rail transportation, future prospect and the Article 44 policies
2- The role of rail transportation in the country’s growth and development
3- Energy and productivity, management and rail industry
4- Privatization and investment (local and international)
5- Transit and an economic evaluation of railway network projects, our territorial situation
6- Globalization, easing regulations, modifying legal, economical and commercial systems
7- Management of supply and demand chain, insurance and customs

**Infrastructures and installation**
1- Ways of increasing the network capacity and raising its quality and quantity level.
2- The effects of increasing the axle load on railway capacity
3- New signaling and telecommunication systems and railway lines electrification
4- High speed and express railways
5- Optimization of repair and maintenance
6- Design and locating of stations along inner/inter city railway lines
7- Updates on design and construction of permanent way, structures and installations

**Fleet**
1- New technologies in freight and passenger (Urban, suburban, inter city) fleet
2- Fleet – infrastructure interaction
3- Advanced fleet repair and maintenance systems
4- Design and selecting electrical fleet
5- Design and production of home – tailored fleet

**Operation**
1- Safety, traffic and rail transportation
2- Ways of optimum exploitation of the network capacity
3- Combined transportation strategies and the role of rail transportation
4- New methods of marketing and access to new markets
5- IT and its role in increasing rail transport efficiency
6- Smart control systems (ITS) and rail transport activities development
7- Situation of transit and corridors capacities exploitation

**The Conference Secretariat welcomes papers on other rail transport related topics.**

**How to send papers:**

Papers and articles should include subject, related conference topic, name of writer(s), and must be typed in WORD 2000 or newer versions of WORD environment on 8-12 A4 pages. The original and 2 copies of the paper as well as its CD of digital
file prepared in both PDF and WORD should be delivered to Conference Secretariat or submitted by E-mail so that the secretariat would receive it no later than July/6/ 2008

Articles should be typed in one column and must include abstract, preface, conclusion and references. The distance between lines should be 1 cm. Pages set up should be as follows:
1- Distance from top and bottom each 3 cm
2- Distance from right and left each 2.5 cm
3- English papers should be typed with Times New Roman size 11

NOTE: Articles which do not meet above specifications will be rejected. No article however, would be returned.
Any details on articles format could be found on Association website: www.railassociation.ir

Milestones
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Deadline for receipt of papers: Aug. 4, 2009
Announcing the accepted papers: Sep. 4, 2009
Conference Time: October (22-23) 2009

Venue: Razi Auditorium- Tehran

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Registration Form
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Would like to participate in the 11th railway conference as speaker……… as auditor…………..
Subject of my paper is………………………………………………………………………………….
Note: Submission of the filled Registration Form is mandatory. Applications with no form are rejected.