

LATE BREAKING NEWS CALL FOR SUGGESTIONS FOR 2008

Taking stock of this successful initiative over the past years, IAC2008 will include three presentations of late-breaking news (LBN). The intent of LBN presentations is to present previously unreleased and newsworthy reports and announcements concerning events which have taken place within the previous few months and which certainly have occurred since the submission deadline set for the main programme of Congress Events and Technical Sessions. The more recent the event which forms the basis for the LBN presentation the better.

Up to three daily slots (from 08:30 to 09:00) have been reserved for these LBN sessions, which will take place on Tuesday 30th, Thursday, 2nd and Friday 3rd.

Presentations will be recorded and may subsequently be distributed with other recordings made at the Congress. Presenters should note that the media may be present.

SUBMISSION OF SUGGESTIONS

A short abstract of no more than 300 words, suggesting topic, speaker(s) and their willingness to participate (if known) must be submitted under the heading "Late Breaking News" to rocio.caparros@iafastro.org in the form of an email attachment.

The strict deadline for submission is 10th September 2008

SELECTION

The criteria for selection will be newsworthiness, breadth of interest, audience appeal and fit with the Congress theme. Presentations should impart news to the audience of very recent events and developments. Suggested topics should preferably not have a heavy commercial content unless of exceptional and outstanding interest.

Evaluation and selection of topics will be undertaken by the IPC Events Team. Originators of the suggestions selected will be notified by 2nd September.

PRESENTATION AND PUBLICATION

The selected presentations will not be included in the DVD distributed to participants nor in the Final Programme of the 59th IAC. However a list of Late Breaking News presentation titles and authors will be handed out to IAC delegates upon registration. In addition, any text provided by the presenter will be available for downloading by Congress participants from the IAC Papers and will be included in the electronic archive of the 59th IAC presentations.