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SPA - Section of Professional Associations

SPECIAL SPA NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2011

The second SPA World Conference of Archives Associations will be held in Edinburgh between 30 August and 2 September 2011. The event will be hosted by the Archives and Records Association (UK and Ireland) and will be a separate stream at their annual conference. The conference will provide a forum where representatives of professional archives and records management associations can discuss issues and common concerns and share experiences.

The Conference marks the 35th anniversary of the establishment of SPA. On the evening before the Conference begins (August 30) SPA will host a birthday party, and the final program of the conference will be a panel of past presidents of SPA reflecting on the past and future of professional associations within ICA.

The conference program includes sessions on –

- The Universal Declaration on Archives
- Developing a competency model
- Managing associations in financial hard times
- Government and archives politics
- Merging records and archives associations; merging archives and libraries
- SPA – past and future

There will also be an Association Fair where members will be able to display and promote publications and other products they have developed. Further details on how an association can participate in the Fair will be sent out in a separate letter.

Registration details are available from the front page of the Archives and Records Association website www.archives.org.uk ICA/SPA members are eligible to receive conference membership rates by quoting your ICA association membership number. If you are unsure of this number please contact Colleen McEwen, SPA Joint Secretary at tcmcewen@gmail.com Registration will also allow participant to attend the ARA sessions.

2011 SPA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This year the 2011 Annual General Meeting of SPA will be held in conjunction with the SPA Conference in Edinburgh on 2 September and **not** at the Toledo CITRA in late October.

The business meeting will be preceded by presentations on the SPA Archival Solidarity Project, the SPA Manual and SPA website.

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