International Council of Nurses’ Congress to be held
27 June-1 July 2019 in Singapore

Geneva, Switzerland, 1 February 2018 – The International Council of Nurses (ICN) today announced the theme, dates and venue for its 2019 Congress.

ICN’s Congresses are the world’s largest international events for nurses. With the theme Beyond Healthcare to Health, ICN 2019 will take place from 27 June to 1 July 2019 at Marina Bay Sands Expo and Convention Centre in Singapore, hosted by the Singapore Nurses Association (SNA). This international gathering of thousands of nurses will explore the many ways in which nurses work to achieve universal access to health, not only providing health care but also addressing the social determinants of health, such as education, gender equality, poverty, etc. The Congress will provide opportunities for nurses to build relationships and to disseminate nursing knowledge and leadership across specialties, cultures and countries.

“We are so excited to announce the theme, dates and venue for ICN 2019,” said Annette Kennedy, ICN President. “We are working hard to develop the programme and ensure that this will be yet another fantastic event for the global nursing profession. Many thanks to the Singapore Nurses Association for hosting this exciting event. We hope we will once again be joined by thousands of nurses from all over the world to discuss the key issues which affect our profession and our patients today and in the future.”

“The Singapore Nurses Association is very happy to host the prestigious ICN 2019 Congress in Singapore,” announced Professor Lim Swee Hia, President of the SNA. “It is a good opportunity for global nursing leaders to forge valuable networking, gain new insights, create mind-stimulating experiences, inspiration and strategies. We looked forward to seeing all of you in Singapore!”

Following on from the success of ICN 2017 in Barcelona, Spain, which gathered over 8,000 nurses, ICN 2019 will feature high level keynote speakers; interactive Policy Cafés;
symposiums, concurrent sessions, posters and many networking opportunities

The Council of National Nursing Association Representatives, ICN’s global governing body, will convene just prior to the Congress, offering Congress participants who are members of ICN member associations the opportunity to observe global nursing leaders identify the profession’s priorities and future directions.

A Save the Date has been issued and the Call for Abstracts for ICN 2019 will be released in the next couple of months. Further information and regular updates on the Congress programme will be posted on the ICN website, www.icn.ch

Note for Editors
The International Council of Nurses (ICN) is a federation of more than 130 national nurses associations representing the millions of nurses worldwide. Operated by nurses and leading nursing internationally, ICN works to ensure quality care for all and sound health policies globally.

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