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to help organizing off-year activities, and to submit manuscripts to *Frontiers of Biogeography*. The IBS wants to hear and share more of the early career members' opinions and ideas; this article is intended as both thanks and encouragement for your active involvement, especially in the readily accessible platforms such as *Frontiers of Biogeography* and Facebook. Finally, we would like to thank all the members who participated in this survey, and particularly those who have shown interest in devoting some of their time to the society. We look forward to working with and for you in the coming years.

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from the society

Call for proposals for hosting 7th Biennial Conference of the IBS

We are seeking proposals for hosting the 7th biennial conference of the International Biogeography Society to be held in early January 2015. Proposals should be submitted by individuals who are interested in chairing the local (host) committee. The duties of the local host include conducting contract negotiations with the venue and the hotel as well as all local logistics including field trip organization and production of the abstract book. Minimum requirements of the venue are 1) one auditorium with a capacity of 450-550 people (2 days), 2) three or four smaller rooms with a capacity of 75-150 people (1 day), and 3) various smaller meeting rooms. The IBS is interested in holding the biennial conference in locations fairly convenient with respect to the majority of its membership base in North America and Europe. Locations of past (and upcoming) conferences can be seen here: <http://www.biogeography.org/html/Meetings/index.html>.

Please include the following information in the proposal:

1. Location of the meeting (city) and the host institution or organization.
2. What would be the benefit of hosting the conference at this location?

3. Actual site of the meeting and the capacity of the auditorium.
4. Space for poster sessions--general size and location relative to the auditorium.
5. Approximate cost for three-day use of the venue. A specific quote is not needed, but evidence of the price competitiveness is crucial.
6. Transportation infrastructure, including travel from airport.
7. Attractions in the vicinity of the conference site, including field trip potential.
8. Who would potentially serve on the local organizing committee?

Proposals from prospective hosts of the biennial conference must be received before 20 January 2012. Please send proposals by email to Daniel Gavin, IBS Vice-President for Conferences at dgavin@uoregon.edu.

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Erratum - 11 Feb 2011: The original article published on 09 Feb 2011 incorrectly identified Dan Gavin as the "IBS Student-at-Large".

If you want to announce a meeting, event or job offer that could be of interest for (some) biogeographers, or you want to make a call for manuscripts or talks, please contact us at ibs@mncn.csic.es and frontiersofbiogeography@gmail.com.