



Invitation to the FIPS Congress at Adamello Ski Area, Italy 2016



Expressions of interest are invited from ski patrollers interested in attending and or presenting at the 20th FIPS congress which will be held at the Adamello Ski Area at Pontedilegro - Passo Tonale, Italy from 2-9 April 2016. Full Congress details are available at FIPS-skipatrol.org.

The Fédération Internationale des Patrouilles de Ski (FIPS) is the international organization representing ski patrol and associated ski safety bodies from 18 different nations. FIPS is the world forum for patrollers to meet, exchange ideas and compare the latest patrol techniques on a regular basis.

ASPA has a limited budget but has allocated funds to assist one Australian patroller by sponsoring their early bird registration fee for the Congress (€950). All other costs associated with attending the Congress would be the responsibility of the patroller.

Proposals for workshops or presentations in areas of interest to patrollers internationally are also being invited.

If you are considering going to FIPS 2016 but not applying for sponsorship please only complete the first section below and not the sponsorship section. Registration of all attending patrollers with ASPA will allow coordination of the Australian contingent.

FIPS Attendance

Name _____
Address _____
Home Phone _____ Mobile Phone _____
Work Phone _____
Email _____
Ski Patrol _____

2016 FIPS Sponsorship

If you wish to apply to ASPA for sponsorship please complete all sections, have it signed by your patrol captain/director and return it by **Monday 31 August 2015**.

Assessment Criteria used by the ASPA proposal assessment panel for attendance assistance funding will take into account:

- You being a patroller suitable to be an ASPA representative at the Congress
- Your making a presentation/running a workshop at FIPS (if so, details must be provided)
- Your role in your Patrol eg Training Officer, Patrol Captain, etc
- The benefit to your Patrol by your attendance at FIPS
- The benefit to ASPA and Australian ski patrollers by your attendance at FIPS
- How you would propose to the share the information brought back with Australian Patrols
- The benefit to FIPS by your attendance
- Previous ASPA support for attendance at FIPS meetings. Preference will be given to patrollers who have not previously received ASPA congress attendance assistance



The following conditions apply to the award of Congress Registration sponsorship:

You must agree that upon your return:

- You assist in the preparation of a detailed congress report for ASPA. The report must focus of areas of benefit/interest to Australian ski patrollers. While at the Congress you will be required to gather activity information so you are able to report. The report must be completed by June 2016. The report will be posted on the ASPA website for distribution.
- You must make a presentation on the Congress to your Patrol upon your return. Details and timing must be provided to ASPA prior to the presentation
- You must make a presentation at a ASPA Committee meeting detailing on the outcomes from the FIPS Congress and possible benefits that can be directed to Australian patrollers. The presentation may be videoed and made available to all Patrols. In addition, you may also be required to make presentations at other meetings arranged by ASPA. ASPA will endeavour to assist with some travel expenses, as appropriate, for these presentations

Signed _____ Date _____
Name (printed) _____ Ski Patrol _____

Your application must have the **written/email approval of your Patrol Captain**.
Late applications will only be accepted at the discretion of the ASPA Executive.

Please attach additional documentation if necessary:

Do you currently hold a position with ASPA? Yes /No Detail:

Do you currently have you a position with FIPS? Yes / No Detail:

Are you a previous ASPA Delegate to FIPS? Yes / No Detail:

Do you plan on presenting/ running a workshop at FIPS? Yes / No Detail:

Have you received previous ASPA funding? Yes / No Detail:

Your role within your patrol?
What benefits to your Patrol from your attendance at FIPS?



The benefits to ASPA of your attendance at FIPS?
How would you propose to share the information brought back from FIPS with Australian Patrols?
What would be the benefits to FIPS of your attendance?

Presentations at FIPS

If you plan a workshop or propose to make a presentation then it should fit within the overall Congress theme of **Innovation for Ski Rescue Evolution** or be relevant to one of the FIPS Special Interest Groups of Avalanche, Medical, Legal or Technology. Refer to the FIPS web site.

Abstracts for any proposed activity will be submitted by ASPA to FIPS prior to 30 November 2015. FIPS will confirm when the proposal has been accepted and detailed activity notes/presentation must be provided electronically by 18 March to allow copying on to a memory stick for distribution to all FIPS attendees.

Your Presentation/Workshop Title	
Approximate Duration (presentations 50min max)	
Please attach a content brief (up to 200 words)	



Queries and Form Return

For any queries and for return of forms:

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FIPS Web Site: www.fips-skipatrol.org

Important Dates

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| • Applications close | 31 August 2015 |
| • Applicants notified of the outcome of their application | 20 September 2015 |
| • Early bird registration to FIPS by ASPA | 29 September 2015 |
| • Presentation abstract to FIPS for acceptance | 30 November 2015 |
| • Detailed presentation electronically to FIPS | 18 March 2016 |
| • FIPS Congress at Adamello Ski area, in Italy | 2 - 9 Apr 2016 |
| • Congress reports for ASPA completed by | June 2016 |

Format of your FIPS report for ASPA

Your report following the Congress must be prepared in conjunction with the Australian Delegation Leader, using MS Word, and include:

- Report Summary
- For each item in the report:
 - Item Title
 - Item demonstration/presentation by
 - Relevant background information
 - Details of the specific item
 - Appropriate photos
 - If appropriate, an assessment of benefits and limitations
 - Any conclusions and recommendations for further consideration by Australian ski patrols
 - Details/copies of any support documentation, electronic information, contact details, etc

A final draft of your report must be provided to the ASPA International Liaison person for feedback on format and to ensure coordination with other reports.

Approval of your Patrol

Signed _____ Date _____
Position _____ Ski Patrol _____

An email from your Patrol Captain confirming approval is acceptable.