

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The **35th Congress of the International Council of the Aeronautical Sciences 2026** is also known as **ICAS 2026**.

The congress will be hosted on **13 – 18 September 2026** at the **International Convention & Exhibition Centre, Sydney, Australia**.

These Terms and Conditions extend to the social functions hosted by ICAS and MCI during the congress.

Registration/Payment

Registration

- Early bird registrations will be accepted until **11:59 PM AEST, 8 June 2026**.
 - Should your Early Bird registration remain unpaid until **22 June 2026** registrations will be upgraded to the regular rate.
- As of **9 June 2026**, the standards rate applies for every new registration.
- As of **13 September 2026**, the on-site rate applies for every new registration.

Payment Conditions

- All payments are to be made in AUD. Please indicate the event “ICAS 2026”, the participant’s name, and the invoice number on all payments.
- Payment is due on receipt of the invoice. If payment is not provided on time, your registration may be cancelled.
- Full payment of all items is requested when registering (by credit card or by bank transfer).
- From **3 August 2026**, only payments by credit card will be accepted.
- All costs are to be borne by the ordering customer. Please note that payments made by bank transfer could be subject to fees payable to your local bank.
- Payment by personal cheque is not accepted.

As a global company with our headquarters in Geneva, our merchant facility is located in Switzerland. Rarely an additional fee is charged, either as a result of an international transaction fee or a charge made by your bank. Unfortunately, we cannot work out exactly in what instances this does occur, 'however, we will refund any international transaction fee incurred by affected delegates. Please contact the registration team to make these arrangements.

GST (Goods & Services Tax)

Registration fees include 10% GST. Tax invoices issued will indicate the total GST included in the transaction.

Methods of payment

- Credit card: only MasterCard and Visa are accepted. All online card payments are subject to a 3.5% processing fee.
- Bank transfer – please make your payment to:

Bank: National Australia Bank
Bank account name: MCI Australia
BSB: 084255
Account number: 59 650 0566
SWIFT code: NATAAU3302S

Any bank fees associated with the transfer are the responsibility of the customer.

Registration Modifications and Cancellation Conditions

Cancellation Policy

- All cancellations must be communicated in writing to MCI Australia (congress organisers) via register@icas2026.com.
- All cancellations must be communicated in writing (fax, letter or email) to MCI Australia. Deposits will be refunded, less AUD 80 for administrative costs, only for cancellations received before March 13, 2026, and no refunds will be possible after this date.
- Refunds will be processed after the event according to your payment method.

Transfer of registration

As an alternative to cancellation, your registration may be transferred to another member of your organisation. Registration transfers must be sent in writing to the ICAS 2026 registration team at register@icas2026.com.

A handling fee of AUD 40 per registration will be charged for every registration modification received after 14 June 2026.

Postponed Event policy

In the event the congress is postponed, existing paid registrations will automatically be transferred to the new congress dates. For existing paid registrations, you will receive a communication confirming the successful transfer of your registration. If you do not wish to proceed, notification in writing will be required no more than 30 days from the announcement date to receive a 100% refund. After this date, the standard cancellation policy will be applied.

Cancelled Event Policy

A 100% refund is applicable in the event of congress cancellation (excluding fees and bank charges).

Force Majeure

The hotels, and MCI Australia are not responsible for either the partial or total non- execution of the contract in the event of technology failure, accident, an act caused by a third party, such as Acts of God including, without limitation, credible threats of natural disaster in the geographic vicinity, war, curtailment or interruption of transportation facilities, threats or acts of terrorism or similar acts, governmental travel advisory, a governmental elevation of the terrorism alert level, civil disturbance, the issue of a Travel Warning by the World Health Organization or any other cause comparable events or disaster beyond the parties' control which prevents the platform from accommodating the clients of MCI Australia for the event or if for the same reasons the event is cancelled by MCI Australia.

Social Functions

- The ICAS 2026 reserves the right to cancel or vary social functions if minimum numbers are not reached.
- Due to catering commitments, we cannot refund social functions and additional ticket cancellations less than 60 days prior to the event.

Accommodation and travel

- Please refer to the hotel's individual cancellation policy to ensure you are aware of cancellation penalties that may be applicable at your chosen hotel. Accommodation cannot be confirmed without a valid credit card.
- Please refer to the hotel's individual payment policy as this may vary for when payment is due.
- Cancellations in whole or part may incur a penalty at the hotel's discretion.

Closure of a hotel

- Should hotels promoted by the ICAS 2026 close prior to the congress, MCI Australia (congress organisers) will assist to seek any pre-payment made by a delegate direct to the hotel and offer alternative options to the delegate. As the contract is directly between the hotel and the delegate, no guarantee can be provided by MCI Australia for any compensation. MCI will not be financially liable for any financial loss.
- When booking a hotel, be aware of the terms and conditions of the hotel you are entering into an agreement with.

Restrictions to travel

MCI Australia recommends ensuring travel to the state of Sydney, Australia is permitted. In the event Domestic or International restrictions apply, MCI Australia will not cover any expenses related to restrictions to travel to Sydney, Australia during the ICAS 2026.

Insurance and Liability

It is recommended that participants obtain adequate coverage for travel, health, and accident insurance before they depart for the congress. MCI Australia, the International Convention & Exhibition Centre Sydney, Australia, and any congress hotels cannot accept responsibility for personal injuries, or loss of, or damage to, private property belonging to the congress participants and accompanying persons.

Data Privacy Policy

For further information on how your data will be used, we invite you to carefully read the Data Protection and Privacy Policy: <https://www.mci-group.com/privacy-statement>

Privacy Statement

- The provided name and contact information, including electronic address, may be used by parties directly related to the event such as the organisers and approved stakeholders, for relevant purposes such as promotion, networking, and administration of this, and future events of this type. If you do not consent, please email register@icas2026.com.
- In addition, your name, organisation, and country/state of origin may be published on the delegate list which may be provided to delegates, exhibitors, and sponsors at the congress. If you do not wish your details to be included in this list, please email register@icas2026.com.

Email Communication

- By providing your email address, you consent to be contacted by this method in relation to this event and future events of this type.
- If you do not wish your details to be used for any of the above purposes, please email register@icas2026.com.

Release and waiver of liability

- The hotels and MCI Australia are not responsible for either the partial or total non-execution of the contract in the event of a technical fault, accident, natural disaster (either threatened or actual), in war, curtailment or interruption of transportation facilities, threats or acts of terrorism, governmental travel or terrorism advisory, Strikes, Lockout, civil disturbance, the issue of a Travel Warning by the World Health Organization or any other cause beyond the parties' control which prevents access to the platform for the event, or if for the same reasons the event is cancelled by MCI Australia.
- The Organisers may at their entire discretion repay the delegate fee paid by the participant, or part thereof, but shall be under no obligation to repay the whole or part of such delegate fee, and shall be under no liability to the participant in respect of any actions, claims, losses (including consequential losses), costs or expenses whatsoever which may be brought against or suffered or incurred by the participant, as the result of the happening of any such event.

Photography/Videography disclosure

As a registered participant, you agree to grant permission for MCI Australia to use your likeness in a photograph or video in any and all of its publications and presentations, including website entries, without payment or any other consideration; to authorise ICAS and MCI Australia to edit, alter, copy, exhibit, publish or distribute the photograph or video for purposes of publicising ICAS programs or for any other lawful purpose; to waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product, including written or electronic copy, wherein your likeness appears, that these materials will become the property of ICAS and MCI Australia.

Acceptable attendee behaviour

- The 35th Congress of the International Council of the Aeronautical Sciences 2026 aims to create a professional and respectful environment for all attendees. Therefore, all delegates should behave professionally and respectfully towards other attendees, presenters, and organisers.
- This includes communicating in a respectful and appropriate manner, complying with event rules and regulations, respecting intellectual property, avoiding disruptive behavior, and respecting confidentiality.
- Any delegate who violates these expectations may be asked to leave the event without refund.