





International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations (ISCSC) 7960 B Soquel Drive Suite 394, Aptos, California 95003 USA http://www.iscsc.org

CALL FOR PAPERS

for The 54th Annual ISCSC Conference, September 10-15, 2025 The International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations with our 2025 hosts, Hallym University Doheon Academy, Chuncheon, Republic of Korea

SAVE THE CONFERENCE DATES

Arrival September 10, 2025; Conference Program September 11-13, 2025; Lunch, Korean Culture Workshop and dinner reception on the 11th. Presentations 12th and 13th, Field Trip and Banquet 14th; Departure September 15th. Additional Conference and Registration details will follow in early 2025.

WHERE:

Host: Hallym University Doheon Academy, Chuncheon, Republic of Korea. Hallymdaehak-gil, Chuncheon-si, Gangwon-do 24252, Korea



Primary Theme:

Science, Civilization, State How Civilizations are Affected by Science and the State – Past, Present, Future

Civilizations evolve, transform, and decline in response to internal and external influences. Science, war and nation-states are major catalysts to civilization viability and change. The Age of Reason shrinks religion and defines modernity. How did we get here, and where is humankind going? The International Society for the Comparative Studies of Civilizations (ISCSC) historically tackles big questions and provides this forum to continue the tradition.

Suggestions for possible topics for papers and/or panels could include, but are not limited to:

- The effects of artificial intelligence (AI) on society
- The role of religion in civilization
- War and civilization
- Growth and reach of the modern state
- Science and myth
- Ideology as fable
- Dangers and opportunities of a global knowledge elite

Page 1 of 2 February 13, 2025

- The possibility of a wiser civilization
- Improving humans through medicine, robotics, and genetic engineering
- The clash of environmentalism and economics
- Cultural and environmental protection
- Characteristics of Asian civilizations: China, Japan, Korea, India, etc.
- Papers or panels may also address one of the seven ISCSC advocacy themes:
 - o Comparative Civilizational Analysis
 - Social Resilience and Survival of Civilizations
 - Western Civilization and its Values
 - o Climate Change Action
 - o Confucian/Western Interactions
 - o Islamic/Western Interactions
 - o Democracy, Capitalism and Civic Engagement

Guide for Authors: Abstracts of up to 300 words are to be in English, using MS WORD, Times New Roman, 12-point font. Abstracts accepted for presentation will be included in Conference program materials. The Conference language will be English.

Please include your name, contact information, email, and professional affiliation details (or list as Independent Scholar) directly on the abstract document itself in addition to within your email message when sending. Send a copy of your abstract, as an attachment, to the following ISCSC Board Members: Program Chair, Robert Bedeski at reb1206ck@gmail.com, and Joseph Drew at joseph.drew@iscsc.org

Approved papers will be presented by whomever submitted the abstract and in person at the Conference.

Important Dates: Firm deadline for abstract submission is May 1, 2025. Notification of acceptance for presentation at the conference will be approximately May 20, 2025. Late submissions may be considered only by request to the Program Chair and under exceptional circumstances.

Deadline: Firm Conference Registration deadline *for presenters* is June 25, 2025. This date is different from the abstract submission deadline.

Deadline: Firm Conference Registration deadline for *non-presenters* is July 15, 2025.

These important deadlines are in place to ensure that our hosts and the ISCSC have adequate time for arrangements; so that our Program Chair is able to coordinate the full conference program, and that timely notice can be given to all interested parties.

Detailed Registration information will be posted and updated on the ISCSC website as it becomes available at: http://www.iscsc.org As with any international travel, current passport and visa requirements apply.

You are cordially invited and encouraged to register and attend whether submitting an abstract for presentation or not. For questions regarding abstracts please contact Conference Program Chair Robert Bedeski at reb1206ck@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Lynn Rhodes President, ISCSC

hynnkhodes

Page 2 of 2 February 13, 2025