

## Requests for Expressions of Interest – Call for Proposals – Requests for Abstracts



### 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Virtual International Day of the Midwife

**Starting 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 22:00 UTC**

*24 hours of free online presentations for and about midwives*

The Virtual International Day of the Midwife celebrates the International Day of the Midwife by bringing together midwives, students, consumers and all parties interested in childbirth from across the globe using online electronic media. A variety of live events are presented every hour for 24 hours across 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> May 2016 (depending on timezone) starting at 22:00 UTC on 4<sup>th</sup> May. To check your local starting time, follow this link: [bit.ly/VIDoM16-start-time](http://bit.ly/VIDoM16-start-time)

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**WHO CAN SUBMIT?** Midwives, student midwives, those interested or involved in the work of midwives. Presenters must have a computer with headphones.

**WHAT KIND OF PRESENTATIONS?** Presentations may be about midwifery research, international midwifery, midwifery education initiatives, midwifery practice issues, midwifery philosophy, or Safe Motherhood. Presentations may be organized as informal discussions, panel discussions, meetings or story-telling. More information is available from the conference website <http://www.vidm.org>

A presentation or session should:

- Have a clear aim or purpose
- Focus on midwifery or maternity care
- Be of interest to an international audience

**PRESENTATION FORMAT:** VIDM conferencing software supports voice and PowerPoint presentations or slides in pdf files. We do not stream video. Participants can listen and view on computer, tablet or cell/mobile phone

We welcome poster presentations that will be displayed on the VIDM website accompanied by a podcast, if willing..

**LANGUAGES:** While the expression of interest/proposal/abstract must be in English, presentations in other languages are welcome. Translating some key phrases into English on the slides is recommended.

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**SPEAKER SUPPORT:** Presenters need not be experienced in using web-conferencing software. Each presenter will be paired with a facilitator who will give support at every stage. Presenters also need to commit to attending an online practice session in late April with the facilitator, so that the facilitators are

assured that the technology will work well on the presentation day. Final slides are due the last week of April. Slides will be uploaded then and cannot be changed once uploaded.

**SUBMISSION: The deadline for proposals is 12:00 UTC 1 February 2016.**

Follow this link to see the deadline in different time zones: [bit.ly/VIDoM16-proposals-due](http://bit.ly/VIDoM16-proposals-due)

Please submit your proposal by one of these methods:

- Email to [info@vidm.org](mailto:info@vidm.org)
- Add to the VIDM Facebook page:  
<http://www.facebook.com/VirtualInternationalDayoftheMidwife>
- Via Twitter to [@VIDoM](https://twitter.com/VIDoM)

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**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING TEMPLATE WITH YOUR PROPOSED PRESENTATION**

NAME:

EMAIL CONTACT ADDRESS:

CO-PRESENTERS:

CITY/COUNTRY/TIME ZONE YOU WILL BE PRESENTING FROM:

WHAT LOCAL TIMES WILL YOU BE ABLE TO GIVE YOUR PRESENTATION? PLEASE GIVE US A RANGE OF SEVERAL HOURS.

LANGUAGE YOU WILL USE DURING YOUR PRESENTATION:

TITLE OF PRESENTATION:

MY PRESENTATION IS BASED ON: *Check/tick ✓ one category.*

- Midwifery research
- International midwifery
- Midwifery education initiatives
- Midwifery practice issues
- Midwifery philosophy
- Safe Motherhood

MY PRESENTATION FORMAT IS: *Check/tick ✓ one category.*

- Discussion
- Panel Discussion
- Meeting
- Story telling

DESCRIBE YOUR PRESENTATION IN 150 WORDS: