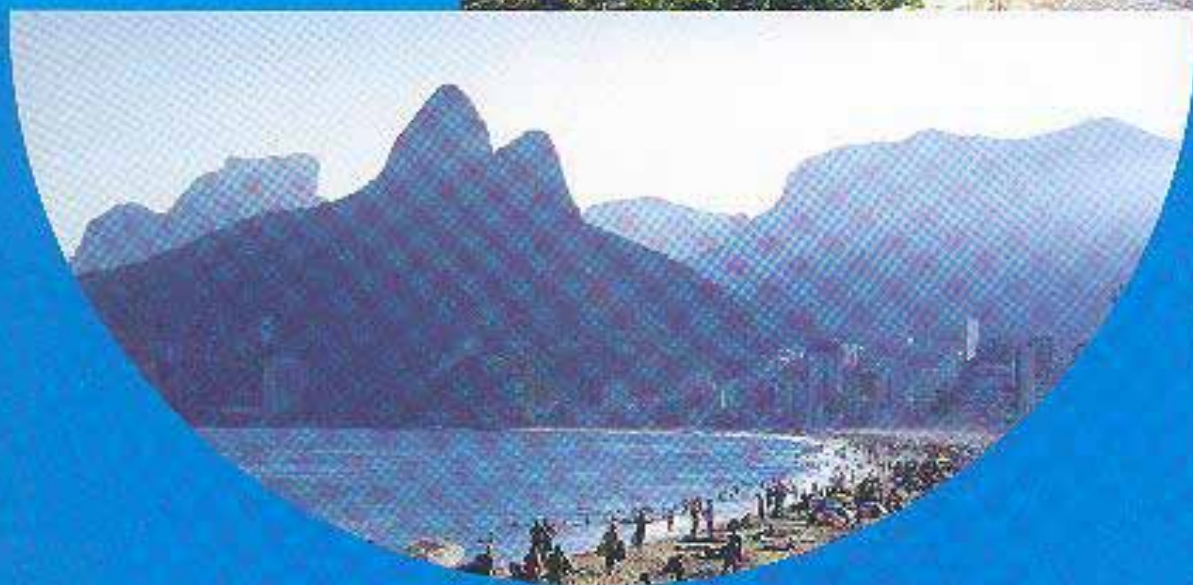


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Support Letters – 23 partners endorse Rio de Janeiro do Host WAS Congress in 2013.

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14. Instituto H Ellis –*Institute H Ellis.*
15. CEPCOS- Centro de estudos e Pesquisas em Sexualidade e Comportamento - Center of Studies and Research in Behavior and Sexuality.
16. Instituto Kaplan – *Institute Kaplan.*
17. Santa Casa de Misericórdia do Rio de Janeiro , Serviço de Planejamento Familiar– *Santa Casa de Misericórdia do Rio de Janeiro Hospital - Family Planning Service.*
18. Marcio Schiavo (Membro do Comitê Diretivo da SBRASH) – *Member of the Directive Committee of SBRASH.*
19. SLAMS – Sociedad Latinoamericana de Medicina Sexual – *Latin American Society of Sexual Medicine .*
20. SPESH – Sociedad Paraguaya para el Estudios de la Sexualidad Humana – *Paraguayan Society of Human Sexuality Studies.*
21. SUS (Sociedad Uruguaya de Sexologia) – *Uruguayan Society of Sexology.*
22. AASES (Asociación Argentina de Sexologia y Educación Sexual) – *Association of Sexology and Sexual Education from Argentina.*
23. SECOSEX (Sociedad Colombiana de Sexologia) – *Sexology Society of Colombia.*



**MINISTRY OF TOURISM
MINISTRY CABINET**

Dear Sirs,

1. Brazil is a country of great natural beauty with a regional, historical and cultural diversity that is outstanding in the world. But Brazil is more than that. It is the place where the biggest and most significant South American trade fairs are held. According to ICCA's report 2007 - International Congress and Convention Association we rank on the 8th position worldwide per number of international events held. If we consider Latin America, Brazil has held more events than any other country in 2007. This important position allows us to affirm that Brazil has an excellent infrastructure and high quality services to host all kinds of events.

2. In Brazil, government and private enterprise come together to welcome those who choose the country as the venue for their business initiatives. The federal government understands the importance of international events in developing not only tourism and the Brazilian economy, but especially the capacity of professionals, specialists and students who have a unique opportunity to participate in debating forums and to engage in a fruitful exchange of experiences at such events.

3. Brazilians are lively and hospitable. Our cuisine is rich in flavor and variety. There are amazing products, services and destinations to attend to the most varied interests. Besides all that, Brazil has year round festivities and also 17 Cultural and Natural Heritage sites that have been recognized by UNESCO.

4. In light of all the above, we kindly ask for your thoughtful consideration of the enclosed proposal. We believe that it contains all elements required for an informed decision.

5. We look forward to welcoming you in Brazil with open arms.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Luiz Eduardo P. Barretto Filho', written over a circular stamp.

LUIZ EDUARDO P. BARRETTO FILHO
Minister of Tourism
Brazil



PRESIDENT OFFICIAL LETTER

OF. PRESI Nº 132/2009

Brasília, July 20th 2009

To

Dr. Rosemary Coates

Executive and Advisory Committee of World Association for Sexual Health

Dear Dr. Coates,

The Brazilian Tourist Board - EMBRATUR - institutionally supports the holding of international meetings in our country. We are prepared to make all the necessary arrangements for the quality accomplishment of such important events.

Therefore, it was with great pleasure that we learned about the strong possibility of the **WAS World Congress** being held in Brazil in **2013**. We are sure that Brazil is the only destination where one can find and combine the excellence of forestry, nature, the environment, a peaceful cultural mix and other subjects of interest.

If you decide upon Brazil to host your event, you can rely on our official support to guarantee excellent services for your delegates. With consideration to entry formalities for foreign citizens, visas are only required for participants from countries adopting the same policy for Brazilian citizens.

In this case, we interface with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to help facilitate visas for the participants.

We look forward to seeing you in **2013**.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeanine Pires".

Jeanine Pires
President

Carta nº181/2009/SETUR

Rio de Janeiro, July 20th , 2009.

To
Dr. Rosemary Coates.
Executive and Advisory Committee of World Association for Sexual Health

Re: **WAS World Congress 2013**

Dear Dr. Coates,

The unique setting of Rio de Janeiro makes it different from other megacities in the world. Here, the city unveils itself in all contrasts from the ocean beaches to the rain forest. An endless sequence of varied shaped hills and the huge mass of ocean waters design its coastline.

Centred mostly around the downtown area, Rio de Janeiro's historical attractions and cultural tradition reveal unexpected treasures from the past, side by side, with contemporary notable buildings hosting a modern lifestyle. Rio has been the political and cultural center of Brazil since the 18th century.

Cariocas, as the natives and residents of Rio are called, are a naturally happy, friendly and receptive people, always willing to share the carioca spirit with all visitors.

An ideal city for international congresses, conventions and exhibitions, Rio de Janeiro can host a great number of participants in any type of event. There are two modern and well equipped convention centers in the city. There are also hotels and conference services suited to all budgets, and to all leisure or business requirements. The hotels' substructure is being constantly inspected, ensuring that services and technology are continuously improved.

We will be much honored if the City of Rio de Janeiro is selected to host the **2013 WAS World Congress**.

Welcome to Rio !



Antonio Pedro Figueira de Mello
Secretary of Tourism
City of Rio de Janeiro



FLASSES
FEDERACIÓN LATINOAMERICANA DE SOCIEDADES DE SEXOLOGÍA

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DR ROSEMARY COATES

PRESIDENT OF WAS

AND

EXECUTIVE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF WORLD ASSOCIATION FOR SEXUAL HEALTH

FLASSES supports SBRASH as host of the Congress of the WAS, in Rio de Janeiro in 2013.

At the same time, It is ready to cooperate with this. Promises to work with SBRASH for the WAS conference in Rio de Janeiro, is successful in all aspects.

We can help improving the scientific program, and the collection of funds from the laboratories and government agencies, and collaborate to open the ground for new initiatives.

FLASSES share with and encourage the scientific societies of Latin America, Rio de Janeiro to host the World Congress for Sexual Health in 2013. This would be a great step.

We're sure that WAS will have an unforgettable Congress choosing Rio de Janeiro in 2013.

Sincerely,

CRISTINA TANIA FRIDMAN
Secretaria General FLASSES 2006- 2010

RUBÉN HERNÁNDEZ SERRANO
Presidente FLASSES 2006- 2010



**Instituto de Ginecologia
Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro**

Prof. Paulo R. B. Canella

Rio de Janeiro, June 29 2009.

Dear Rosemary – President of WAS
Dear members of Executive and Advisory Committee.

The clinical Sexology of the Institute of Gynecology of Federal University of Rio de Janeiro – Moncorvo Filho Hospital, supports Rio de Janeiro to be venue of World Congress of Sexual Health in 2013.

The work in this institute has began 25 years ago, by multidisciplinary team of professionals who take care of people, of couples, with sexual problems ins SUS System (equivalent to Social Security Service in USA).

We up help Rio de Janeiro candidature to be the chosen place and for this we offering scientific collaboration.

Rio de Janeiro was the first capital of Brazil and became an international city it has a rich cultural and nature attractions.

Sincerely,



Paulo Bastos Canella
Medical Coordinator



Dear Rosemary Coates
President of WAS (World Association for Sexual Health)

Course of Specialization in Human Sexuality of Catholic University of Pernambuco support Rio de Janeiro be hosting World Congress of Sexual Health in 2013.

In 2004 we open the Course of Specialization in Human Sexuality and in August of 2005 we had graduated 30 newly sexologist specialist. Now we are teaching for four group as students in this Course. In 2005 I was a Chairman of 5th edition of Pernambuco Sexology Congress, with more 400 participants in the fields of education, psychology, medicina, sociology and other interested parties. In 2007 I was president of XI SBRASH Congress with almost 800 participants and positive balance (almost 30.000 dollars).

Hosting the World Congress of Sexual Health would be great opportunity for exchange information about sexuality with professionals form different countries.

King regards

Coordinator of Course of Specialization in Human Sexuality


Dr. Maria do Amparo Rocha Caridade



UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DE GOIÁS
FACULDADE DE MEDICINA




Dear Dr. Rosemary Coates - President of WAS

Members of Executive and Advisory Committee.

The Medical School of Federal University of Goiás (UFG) supports the election of Rio de Janeiro to host the XXII Congress of WAS, in 2013. We will have the great opportunity to work with SBRASIL, that is the oldest association in Brazil in the area of Sexology,

Best regards,


Goiânia, August 28th 2009



Prof. Vardeli Alves de Moraes

Vice Director – Medical School

Prof.ª Dr.ª Vardeli Alves de Moraes
Coordenadora do Curso de Medicina da UFG



Prof. Mariluzia Terra Silveira

Coordinator of the Gender Identity Disorder Program

Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics – Medical School



Universidade Federal do Ceará
Faculdade de Medicina
Departamento de Saúde Materno-Infantil
Curso de Especialização em Adolescência

Dear Rosemary Coates.
President of World Association for Sexual Health.

The Maternity of Federal University of Ceara endorses SBRASH to bid for Rio de Janeiro to be venue of World Association for Sexual Health in 2013.

We can help SBRASH in this big challenge.

King regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Zenilce B.'.

Zenilce Vieira Bruno
Coordinator of course

Programa de Estudos em Sexualidade – ProSex
Coordenadora: Profª Drª Camilla Helena Najjar Abdo

Sao Paulo, October 15, 2009

To
WAS - The World Association for Sexual Health

Att.: Dr. Rosemary Coates

Ref.: Venue for the World Congress of Sexual Health - 2013

Dear Rosemary Coates,

I write to you as a member of the Scientific Committee of Brazilian Society of Human Sexuality Studies (SBRASH), and coordinator of Program of Studies in Sexuality (ProSex), an institutional, multitask group of teaching, research, health assistance and community services in the field of sexuality, associated to the University of Sao Paulo.

On behalf of ProSex, I inform you that we are willing to participate in the Bid which will define the venue for World Congress of Sexual Health that is going to take place in the year 2013.

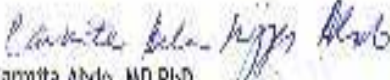
We indicate the historical city of Rio de Janeiro, in Brazil, to be the venue for this great event. This decision is a strong commitment to help the organization of the Congress so it can be very successful and make as many professionals in sexology and sexual education to attend the meeting.

We can promise all our efforts in order to promote and seek for support for the scientific program within Brazilian entities in the field of Sexology, College and University professors as well as researchers in sexology in Brazil.

Brazilian professionals and academic researchers in Sexuality are able to present the scientific developments of sexology matters in our country, which is considered a leader and a benchmark in Latin America in relation to Sexual and Reproduction Rights, HIV health policies and anti-sexual tourism policies.

We thank the World Association for Sexual Health for the opportunity of presenting this Bid.

Sincerely yours,


Camilla Abdo, MD PhD

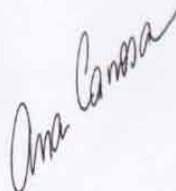
Associate Professor of the Department of Psychiatry, Medical School, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil
ProSex Coordinator

São Paulo, 20 July 2009.

Dear Dr. Rosemary Coates
President of WAS (World Association for Sexual Health).

As coordinator of the Post-Graduate Program in Sex Education at the Centro Universitário Salesiano of São Paulo (BRAZIL), I support the choice of Rio de Janeiro as the location for the next venue of the World Congress of Sexual Health in 2013.

Sincerely,



Ana Cristina Canosa
Coordinator



FACULDADES INTEGRADAS MARIA THEREZA – FAMATH
PÓS-GRADUAÇÃO LATO-SENSU EM RELACIONAMENTO AMOROSO E SEXUALIDADE HUMANA

Dear
Rosemary Coates, President
World Association for Sexual Health - WAS

This is to express that the **Course of Specialization in Romantic Relationships and Human Sexuality** - Coordination and Professors - of the College Maria Thereza (Niterói- RJ) fully supports Rio de Janeiro to host the next World Congress of WAS in 2013.

Our group of professionals will collaborate with the SBRASH (Brazilian Society for Studies in Human Sexuality) to make the World Congress of WAS achieves the highest scientific level.

Rio de Janeiro is the second largest city in Brazil, also called “Cidade Maravilhosa” (Wonderful City), and certainly the postcard Brazilian best known abroad, with its world famous beaches of Copacabana and Ipanema, the statue of Christ the Redeemer and the Sugar Loaf Mountain. Whoever visits Rio soon finds out that there is always something to be done in the city, from exhibitions, theatre plays, shows, sports events for all tastes to a lively nightlife

Furthermore, we will also be committed in advertising and promoting Rio de Janeiro as venue of the WAS Congress in 2013 among the students and others professionals within and outside the city, through our personal webpages and our nacional and international list of e-mails.

Should you have any comments or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best regards,


Andréa Souto Mayor
Coordinator


Sheila Reis
Professor

***Andrea Souto Mayor**: Psychologist, Ph.D in Experimental Psychology with Master's degree in Sexology.
E-mail: andrea@web4u.com.br

***Sheila Reis** : Psychologist with Master's degree in Sexology and Consultant/Researcher in the area of Educational Projects, Social and Cultural Rights. Site: www.shellareis.com.br E-mail : sheila@shellareis.com.br



UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DA BAHIA

Salvador, 23/08/2009

Dear Rosemary Coates
President of WAS (World Association for Sexual Health).

I'm Tereza Cristina Pereira Carvalho Fagundes, teacher of Federal University of Bahia (UFBA) and Director of Certification of The Title in Human Sexuality (SBRASH) endorses the candidacy of Rio de Janeiro, through SBRASH, to be venue of the World Congress of WAS in 2013.

The SBRASH is main Society in Brazil about Studies in sexuality and is a multidisciplinary and has members of different fields of sexuality.

I'm confident that Rio de Janeiro is a best town in Brazil for Was Congress in 2013 because it is very famous about Natural beauty, events (as Carnival) and Cultural points as Municipal Theatre, district of Lapa.

We will promote and disseminate Rio de Janeiro as venue of next World Congress in 2013 in Brazil and Latin America.

Kindly Regards,

Tereza Cristina Pereira Carvalho Fagundes
Professora do Programa de Pós-Graduação em Educação da
Federal University of Bahia (UFBA)
Directora of Certification of The Title in
Human Sexuality (SBRASH)



Instituto H Ellis

Dr. Sidney Glina

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UROLOGIA - NEFROLOGIA E PNEUMOLOGIA

October 13th 2009

**Letter of Endorsement to Rio de Janeiro as Site for the World meeting of WAS
in 2013**

Dear Dr. Rosemary Coates

President of WAS:

I am writing to give our support and endorsement to the SBRASH proposal to have Rio de Janeiro as site of the World Meeting of WAS in 2013.

Instituto H.Ellis and I will give our full scientific support to this meeting and help in everything the Organizing Committee could need.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at tel/fax 55-11-35157906 and/or glinas@terra.com.br.

Sincerely,


Sidney Glina, MD

São Paulo, August 19th 2009

To: Rosemary Coates
President of World Association for Sexual Health

Ref: XXI World Congress of WAS in 2013.

Dear Rosemary:

CEPCoS – Center of Studies and Research in Behavior and Sexuality, supports the candidacy of Rio de Janeiro city, through SBRASH, to be venue of the XXI World Congress of WAS in 2013.

SBRASH is the oldest and largest Society in Brazil in number of members.

Rio de Janeiro is known as “wonderful city”, has infrastructure in transport and hotels. It’s a town rich in culture and natural beauty.

CEPCoS as a member of WAS is committed to provide scientific support and help in disseminating and promoting the event in Brazil and Latin America.

Best Regards,



Dr. Ramer Nochimowski Rigoletto



São Paulo, October 15, 2009.

Dear Rosemary Coates – president of WAS
Dear Member of Advisor and Executive Committee

Instituto Kaplan support the candidacy of Rio de Janeiro to host the Congress of the WAS in 2013. Instituto Kaplan was opened in 1991, is a NGO that deals with sex education, and has national and international recognition. It won the prize " Posters" in 2003 at the 16th World Congress of WAS, in Havana. The winning project is "Sex Tips – Sex education service using the Internet", developed in the private school, named Colégio Bandeirantes.

Instituto Kaplan is pleased to work with the SBRASH for the World in Rio de Janeiro in 2013.

Best regards,

Maria Helena Vilela

Executive Manager of Instituto Kaplan



Santa Casa da Misericórdia do Rio e Janeiro
33ª Enfermaria (Maternidade) - Serviço do Prof. Dr. Jorge de Rezende Filho
Serviço de Planejamento Familiar

Rosemary Coates, President
World Association for Sexual Health – WAS

Dear Mrs. Coates,

This is to express that the **33ª Enfermaria (Labor Ward) of the Santa Casa da Misericórdia do Rio e Janeiro**, fully supports Rio de Janeiro to host the next World Congress of WAS in 2013.

The Santa Casa da Misericórdia of Rio de Janeiro was founded in 1847 and has always been bound to the study and care in Obstetrics. On November 1st, 1959, was created the 33rd Infirmary of SCM-RJ. In 2008, the Family Planning Service was reopened, an expansion of the Maternity and thus expanding the service to individuals or couples in general, to discuss, to guide and to produce educational opportunities on sexual and reproductive health.

Our group of professionals will collaborate with the SBRASH (Brazilian Society for Studies in Human Sexuality) to make the World Congress of WAS achieve the highest scientific level.

Furthermore, we will also be committed in advertising and promoting Rio de Janeiro as the venue of the WAS Congress in 2013 among the students and other professionals (within and outside the city), through our weekly meetings at the Center of Scientific Studies, our personal webpages and our nacional and international list of e-mails.

Certainly the brazilian postcard best known abroad, Rio de Janeiro is the second largest city in Brazil, also called The Wonderful City. Whoever visit Rio with its beautiful beaches, the Statue of Christ the Redeemer and the Sugar Loaf Mountain, also find out that Rio has an intense social and cultural life: art exhibitions, concerts of popular and classical music, theaters, museums, historical centers, among other amusing activities.

Should you have any comments or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.
Best regards,

Dr. Jorge de Rezende Filho
Head of the 33rd Infirmary of SCM-RJ
E-mail: rezendef@terra.com.br

Dr. Carlos Eduardo Novaes
Head of the Clinic and Coordinator of the Family Planning Service
E-mail: novaescef@hotmail.com

Sheila Reis
Psychologist / Sexologist of the Family Planning Service
E-mail: sheila@sheilareis.com.br



Rio de Janeiro - Brazil, 22th October of 2009.

Dear Dr. Rosemary Coutes,

President of the World Association for Sexual Health (WAS)

As former General Secretary of the World Association for Sexual Health (1989-1991), having received the FLASSUS Gold Medal as a Brazilian Specialist in Sexology and as former President and current President of the Steering Committee of SBRASH (Brazilian Society of Human Sexuality Studies), I am pleased to inform you that I endorse SBRASH to bid for Rio de Janeiro to be venue of the XX World Congress for Sexual Health in the year of 2013.

As you may be aware, in Brazil there are several public and private organizations that are dealing with sexuality, sexology and sexual reproductive health issues. I am a witness that SBRASH is working closely with nearly all of them, especially in this considerable scientific challenge aiming to ensure that it will be a productive and a gratifying experience for all professionals and students that participate and show sincere interest in this important field of work and studies.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marcio Luiz Schiavo".

*President of the Steering Committee of SBRASH
President-Director of Comunicarte Cultural and Social Marketing*



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Sociedad Latinoamericana de Medicina Sexual
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Latin American Chapter of the International Society for Sexual Medicine (ISSM)

July 29, 2009

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Dear Dr. Rosemary Coates
Dear Members of the Advisory Board
World Association for Sexual Health - WAS

The Latin American Society for Sexual Medicine - SLAMS, endorses the city of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) to be venue of the World Congress for Sexual Health in 2013.

From a regional point of view, the development of the Sexual Medicine specialty in Latin America would be strengthened with this possibility of holding a world congress in 2013 in our region. Also, our Society, besides giving its support to the election of Rio de Janeiro as venue, would assist with the promotion of the congress activities and with scientific contribution. We know that the city of Rio de Janeiro is duly prepared for a world meeting such as this one, as well as SBRASH, Sociedade Brasileira de Estudos em Sexualidade Humana, acting as local organizing society.

Looking forward that Rio de Janeiro will be chosen as venue of your World Congress for Sexual Health in 2013.

Sincerely,


Geraldo Faria
President SLAMS

Asuncion, July 25th 2009

**Dear
Rosemary Coates, President
World Association for Sexual Health - WAS**

This is to express that SPESH (Paraguayan Society of Human Sexuality Studies) fully supports Rio de Janeiro to host the next World Congress of WAS in 2013.

SPESH will work closely with the SBRASH (Brazilian Society for Studies in Human Sexuality) to make the World Congress of WAS achieves the highest scientific level.

Furthermore, SPESH is committed in disseminating and promoting Rio de Janeiro as venue of the WAS Congress in 2013 among its members, in its webpage www.estudiosdesexualidad.org, and through its email list noticias@estudiosdesexualidad.org that has email contacts inside Paraguay and in the Latin American Region.

Should you have any comments or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,



**Dominica Vera, MS
President of SPESH**

From: chenlo1570@hotmail.com
To: r.coates@curtin.edu.au
Subject: World Congress 2013
Date: Wed, 22 Jul 2009 02:23:32 +0000

Sociedad Uruguaya de Sexología

Afiliada a WASH (World Association for Sexual Health) y FLASSES (Federación Latinoamericana de Sociedades de Sexología y Educación Sexual)

susex@internet.com.uy

World Association for Sexual Health

President: Dra. Rosemary Coates:

We are writing to inform you on the occasion of the Uruguayan Society of Sexology, a member of the WASH has decided reunion directive last July 15, supporting the candidacy of Rio de Janeiro-Brazil, for the next world congress to be held in 2013, presented by Dr. Jacqueline Brendler.
Accept, sincerely

President: Psic. Andrés Caro Berta
Secretary: Lic. Nancy Chenlo.



ASOCIACION ARGENTINA DE SEXOLOGIA Y EDUCACION SEXUAL

Buenos Aires, Argentina, 12 de octubre de 2009

Dra. Rosemary Coates
President of WAS (World Association for Sexual Health)

Dear Dra. Rosemary Coates

I Luis Maria Aller Atucha endorse SBRASH to bid for Rio de Janeiro to be venue of World Congress for Sexual Health of WAS, in 2013.

In all Latin America there are many entities that have interesting in sexuality and all will work with SBRASH (Brazilian Society for Studies in Human Sexuality).

Best regards

Lic. Luis Maria Aller Atucha
Presidente
Asociación Argentina de Sexología y Educación Sexual - AASES
Past General Secretary of FLASSES 1992-1995
Gold Medal of FLASSES 2006.

Medellin , Colombia Julio 2009

Members of WAS

The Colombian Society of Sexology Socosex supports Brazil's request for the World Congress of Sexology to take place in the city do Rio de Janeiro em 2013.

We think that it would make easier the attendance of Latin American members for economic and language reasons.

Socosex is a vigorous and strong society that has democratic elections every two years to change its authorities, avoiding personal issues though respecting the natural distinguished figures that integrate it and work within it.

Sincerely yours

**Dra Elizabeth Gutiérrez Flórez
President (2005-2007)**

**Dra. Luz Marina García
Secretary**

END