



## **BIDS TO HOST EUROPEAN SYMPOSIUM for the PROTECTION of the NIGHT SKY**

**Guidelines** are as follows:

The European Symposium for the Protection of the Night Sky should run over 3 days offering a platform for research, activism and policy discussions on protecting the night sky.

The programme will typically consist of:

- Plenary talks and workshops
- Research presentations
- At least 3 invited guest speakers
- Poster sessions for researchers
- Field Trip to a dark sky site (or equivalent heritage site)
- Reception and gala event with key speakers

Registration, conference and dinner fees should be somewhat similar to previously held symposia.

Where possible there should be a gender balance of speakers and also desirable to accommodate speakers from disadvantaged groups and countries.

The financial objective of the event will be to break even, while producing a quality event. It is not intended that a profit be made, although any excess should be considered to support the activities of the local steering group (assuming a voluntary, non-profit group) and / or be directed towards supports for student/ diversity in future events.