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Addressed to Paper Presenters of the 2024 Warsaw Congress IASS/AIS Members

Publication of the 16th World Congress of Semiotics (IASS/AIS) e-Proceedings – Submission of Papers

Dear Authors, Respectable Friends and Colleagues,

Thank you once more for your contributions to *Sign and Realities* – 16th World Congress of the IASS/AIS, held on 2–6 September 2024, in Warsaw, Poland (https://www.semcon2024.com/), which has been so well documented in *The Book of Abstracts from the 16th World Congress of Semiotics*, "*Signs and Realities*", *Warsaw, September 2–6 2024*, *edited by Zdzisław Wąsik*. Warsaw 2024: The Faculty of Applied Linguistics, University of Warsaw Publishing, ISBN 978-83-973931-0-3. We apologize for the delay in writing to you. It was caused solely by continued administrative and editorial matters. This letter will be attached to the www page of the 2024 Warsaw Congress and sent to the addresses of those who actively participated as topic and panel session presenters.

Finally, we are writing to you about the opportunity to publish your paper presented at the 2024 World Congress of Semiotics as a chapter in the *16th World Congress of Semiotics Proceedings*... to be edited by the Faculty of Applied Linguistics, University of Warsaw Publishing, in financial support of the International Association of Semiotics Studies. As in the case of invitations in 2014, 2017, 2019, and 2022, the chapter must not exceed 30,000 characters, including spaces, notes, and the bibliography. You are expected to send us your proposal for publication between June 15, 2025, and July 31, 2023, to the University of Warsaw e-mail address signsandrealities2024@uw.edu.pl (copy and insert as: Signs and Realities signsandrealities2024@uw.edu.pl). If you need more time, please let us know.

(As a side note to this invitation, this is to let you know that you may as well publish your presentation separately as a larger form chapter of a panel- or topic-related collective monograph, which might be solicited by your convener(s), or an article in a thematic journal.)

We will accept papers that are correctly formatted. Hence, you should pay the utmost attention to the attached stylesheet. Anyhow, the papers still needing adjustments or corrections will be sent back to the authors with appropriate annotations. Proposals for chapters in the *Proceedings*... will be published when they follow the IASS/AIS Guidelines for Authors.

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• Subsequently, set out for the 2019 IASS/AIS Congress in Buenos Aires (https://www.semioticsworld.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/iass2019_stylesheet.pdf) and made available for the 15th World Congress of Semiotics in Thessaloniki (https://www.semioticsworld.com/news/)

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