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Association Européenne  
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et Musikhochschulen

Dear AEC member,

It is with great pleasure that I am inviting you to the AEC Annual Congress 2011, which this year will take place at the Conservatorio Superior de Música "*Joaquín Rodrigo*" de Valencia. We are grateful to our colleagues in Valencia for making such excellent arrangements for the Congress and for putting at our disposal their glorious new building.

Enclosed with this letter you will find the Congress programme and brochure, in which you will find information on the Congress venue, themes, schedule and how to register. Additional information about the Congress is available on the AEC website at [www.aecinfo.org/congress2011](http://www.aecinfo.org/congress2011).

I should also like to take this opportunity to issue a formal invitation to the next AEC General Assembly, which will take place during the Congress on Saturday 12 November, concerning which more information will be provided in the coming months. As is usual, there are elections due to take place this year with places on this occasion falling vacant for one Vice-President and one Council member. The selection of Vice-President may also create a further vacancy on Council. In the coming weeks, additional information on the roles involved and on the election process itself will be posted on the AEC website ([www.aecinfo.org/GA2011](http://www.aecinfo.org/GA2011)). Those interested in being considered for one of these roles should consult this information, which includes eligibility factors and the next steps that candidates should take.

I am very much looking forward to seeing you in the vibrant and culturally dynamic city of Valencia and do hope you will be able to join us for this unique annual event, the AEC Congress 2011!

Yours sincerely,

Pascale de Groote, AEC President