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Dear Dr Nuno Lobo Antunes

I am writing on behalf of the Executive Board of the International Fluency Association to commend the work of Jaqueline Carmona on the organising committee of the recent World Congress of the International Fluency Association in Lisbon, Portugal.

The Congress is an international scientific conference for researchers, clinicians and consumers in the world of fluency disorders. Two hundred and forty participants attended from 32 countries, at The Catholic University of Lisbon. Ms Carmona and her fellow committee members arranged the university bookings and negotiated preferential terms for hotel and flight tariffs for the delegates. They appointed an international scientific committee to review submissions for oral and poster presentations, invited a distinguished set of keynote speakers and arranged a full and varied programme of four parallel streams for a five day meeting, including social events for delegates

Those of the IFA who have attended numerous prior Congresses were delighted with how smoothly and seamlessly this excellent programme flowed. From pre-registration and throughout the conference, Ms Carmona and her colleagues responded graciously to the inevitable logistical challenges and queries inherent in hosting people from numerous countries and native languages, maintaining a professional and amiable demeanour.

None of the committee had any previous experience of conference organisation and they delivered a high quality, efficient and professional event. Subsequent comments from delegates who attended the previous, professionally organised Congress, indicated that this one was truly excellent.

Ms Carmona has demonstrated enormous skill, diligence, attention to detail, flexibility and reliability in this role and we are delighted to have her unique input into the important work of the International Fluency Association.

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