Proposal Guideline to Host BRIDGE CLUB Professional Network Conference 2026

Overview:

The BRIDGE CLUB Professional Network (BCPN) invites proposals from interested BRIDGE CLUBS (BCs) to host the **BCPN Conference in 2026**.

This conference is a key platform to strengthen the BCPN community, foster global collaboration, and build leadership capacity among BCPN members.

The first BCPN Conference was successfully held in **Jakarta, Indonesia, in 2019**, and we are now seeking the next host country to carry this momentum forward in 2026.

Objectives of the BCPN Conference

- Support the professional development of BCPN members.
- Promote collaboration across the BCPN global network.
- Enhance leadership and management skills among members.
- Foster a new generation of **Global BRIDGE Leaders**.

Proposal Content Requirements

Interested BCs must submit a written proposal that addresses the following criteria:

1. Accommodation & Conference Space

- Describe available accommodation options: hotel, host families, government/private hostels, etc.
- Identify and describe a suitable venue for hosting the 2–3-day conference.
- Include capacity, accessibility, and available facilities (e.g., A/V, seating, breakout rooms).

2. Funding

- Explain how the host country will financially support the program (e.g., sponsorships, partnerships, grants).
- Note: Participants will cover their own airfare.
- List potential sponsors (private sector, government, etc.).

3. Local Transportation

- Provide a plan for managing:
 - Airport pick-ups and drop-offs.
 - o Daily transportation between accommodations, venue, and activities.
 - Emergency transport support.

4. Conference Activities

BCPN Management will majorly plan the sessions of the conference coordinating with the Host BC. The Host BC is welcome to suggest on the below.

- Describe planned sessions:
 - Opening/Closing Ceremony.
 - Keynote speaker(s), if any
 - Cultural or motivational performances.

5. Cultural Experiences

- Propose 1–2 sightseeing trips (historical sites, natural attractions, etc.).
- Optional school or community visits.
- Hands-on cultural workshops (e.g., cooking, traditional crafts, language).

6. Visa Matters

- Detail how your BRIDGE CLUB / LO will assist participants needing visa support.
 - Will you provide official invitation letters?
 - o Will you liaise with embassies/consulates as needed?

Additional Questions to Address

- 1. What months are possible for you to host the BCPN Conference 2026? (Exclude May, June, July due to BRIDGE Summer Camp)
- 2. Why is your country/region interested in hosting the BCPN Conference? (Highlight local engagement, past experience, or unique value you offer.)

- 3. What challenges might arise when hosting this meeting in your country? (e.g., infrastructure, funding, language, political situation)
- 4. How will the Liaison Office in your country support this meeting? (Detail expected contributions, coordination, or promotion.)
- 5. How will the Tourism and Convention Bureau in your country contribute to the success of this meeting?

(e.g., promotional support, materials, guides, sponsorships, logistics help.)

Submission Details

• **Deadline:** October 31, 2025

• Submit to: BCPN

Email: <u>bcprofessionalnetwork@bcio.world</u>
Please keep CC to office@bcio.world

Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

- Feasibility and clarity of the plan
- Host BC's commitment and readiness
- Quality of cultural and leadership experiences offered
- Support from local institutions and potential funding sources

We look forward to receiving your proposals and working together to create an impactful BCPN Conference 2026!