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The call for applications for the World Book Capital Nomination 2016 is now open. UNESCO initiative the concept of World Book Capital City, with Madrid as the first Capital in 2001, and Incheon, Korea as the latest Capital announced for 2015.

Deadline for applications from cities is 25 April 2014

All the conditions to apply are available in the following documents:

- [World Book Capital Nomination 2016 – Call for Applications](#)
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Based on the positive experience of World Book and Copyright Day, launched in 1996, UNESCO initiated the concept of World Book Capital City and nominated Madrid as the Capital for Year 2001. Following this successful experience, the General Conference adopted, on 2 November 2001, the 31 C/Resolution 29, establishing the yearly nomination of the Book Capital City.

The International Publishers Associations (IPA-UIE), the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) and the International Booksellers Federation (IBF) are associated to this initiative and are therefore represented with UNESCO in the nominating committee, so as to guarantee appropriate representation from the international organizations representing the three major sectors of the book industry.

An agreement was concluded among the partners that, after Madrid (2001), the subsequent capitals

would be Alexandria in 2002 and New Delhi in 2003. Then, following public calls for candidatures, the Selection Committee gathered at UNESCO Headquarters and successively nominated the city of Antwerp (Belgium) for 2004, Montreal (Canada) for 2005, Turin (Italy) for 2006, Bogota (Colombia) for 2007, Amsterdam (the Netherlands) for 2008, Beirut (Lebanon) for 2009, Ljubljana (Slovenia) for 2010, Buenos Aires (Argentina) for 2011, Yerevan (Armenia) for 2012, Bangkok (Thailand) for 2013, and Port Harcourt (Nigeria) for 2014

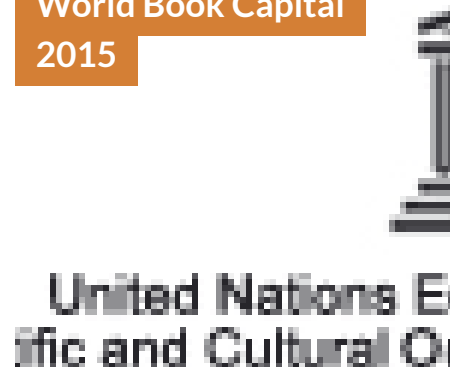
Finally, [The Selection Committee retained the candidature of the city of Incheon \(Republic of Korea\) as World Book Capital City 2015 on account of the quality of its programme](#)

The nomination does not imply any financial prize, but an exclusively symbolic acknowledgement of the best programme dedicated to books and reading.

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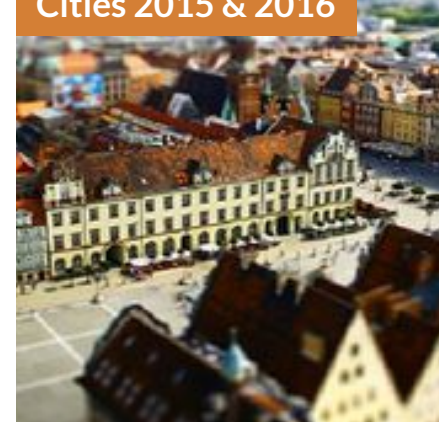
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