

Dear IC members,

This is Charles Weiss, the current Chairman of the International Circle. I am writing you today to wish you well and hope that 2026 has started off well for you.

I also want to make sure you are aware the fall IC (and IARIGAI) conference is going to be held in Grenoble, France from September 8-11, 2026. The news is getting out about this but I personally wanted to invite you to attend and to submit an abstract for a paper. A call for papers can be found here: https://www.internationalcircle.net/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/IC-2026_Grenoble_Call-for-papers_final.pdf

The link to the official conference website is:

<https://lgp2.grenoble-inp.fr/en/scientific-life/52nd-international-research-conference-of-iarigai>

The theme of this year's conference is "Connecting the Dots Between Print & Education." The reason we chose this was to look at the connections we have between print and education. This smallest connection is a dot. Whether it is a halftone dot, a pixel, a dot per inch, they are all small connections between analog and digital, and print and education. Without a digital dot or an analog dot, we would not be able to make photographs, prints, or even see an image on a digital screen.

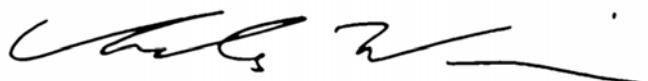
I also encourage you to submit timely abstracts for papers. These will hopefully include some creative research and writings on AI, since that seems to be the biggest buzz word today. I would also encourage you to submit other creative abstracts as our field is filled with infinite possibilities and I am counting on you, the members, to help us create a very rewarding conference in Grenoble.

In addition, I would ask that you share any interesting information with me that you think could be usefully shared with the IC membership. One idea is that if your institution has a job opening in our field, please share it with me and I can share it with the membership. Also, if you are aware of any good conferences for educators that would also be great to hear about.

You can contact me via email, ctweiss@clemson.edu, or even WhatsApp, with my US Cell phone (+1) 309.333.9706.

I look forward to seeing you in Grenoble and let me know if you have any questions at all.

Thanks, and Happy New Year!



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