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Moving forward!

PLDC expands to Asia and America and changes to an annual event

The continuing growth of PLDC over the last ten years prompted the decision to develop a strategy for the next decade. The main goal, to establish the professional lighting design profession in its own right and on a global scale, will remain at the heart of upcoming conventions and the overall concept of staging an information and communication event will be maintained.

VIA Events does not intend to develop PLDC in size, but rather intensify its efforts by adding the Asian and American markets. PLDC will take place on a yearly basis, the next convention is scheduled for 25. – 27. October, 2018 in Singapore under the motto "*a smart move*". PLDC 2019 and PLDC 2021 will take place in Europe, and PLDC 2020 is planned to take place in New York City/US.

As part of the development, an international community representing the profession and supporting the essential CPD programme, the [Alliance](#), will serve as an open platform to provide guidance on lifelong learning and a link to learning opportunities.

Call for Papers

Following in the footsteps of previous conferences, PLDC is publishing a Call for Papers for 2018. Prospective contributors are invited to submit papers for the two-day, two-track conference on the following topics:

- *Professional Practice Issues*
- *Hospitality Lighting*
- *IoDT – Internet of Design Things*
- *Experiential environments*

In addition to paper presentations, professionals and students may submit self-running poster presentations, or ideas for an Experience room. All submissions will be blind-reviewed.

Please download the complete Call for Papers [here](#).

The deadline for all submissions is **17. January, 2018, 23.00 / 11 pm GMT**.

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About PLDC

Initiated by Joachim Ritter, PLDC is organised by VIA Events, the Educational Events Division of VIA-Verlag, who publishes the Professional Lighting Design magazine. The first PLDC took place in London in 2007. Professionals from different fields of practice and research came together to discuss and exchange ideas, approaches and concepts. The international and interdisciplinary understanding of lighting design that PLDC generates also supports the ongoing process to gain recognition for Lighting Design as a specialist discipline, and for the profession as a whole.

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