

## **Guidelines for Accepting Exhibitors at Missions Fest**

### **A. A Mission Agency**

1. A legally registered non-profit society or equivalent.
2. A Statement of Faith which is in agreement with the one adopted by Missions Fest.
3. A Statement of Purpose which describes involvement in Great Commission activity, world evangelization and/or discipleship, and provides a description and history of activities, and impact.
4. A history of operation which gives evidence of being both accountable and ethical. New organizations must experience four or five year's history before being considered.
5. A leadership whose conduct is above reproach morally, ethically and financially; leadership who is accountable to official Boards, who, in turn, represent people of integrity and a broad base within the Christian community. This leadership, including Board members, must serve at "arm's length" from the management of the organization. i.e. not related with any family connections.
6. An organization which has financial accountability; satisfies the country/state/provincial requirements; subject to audit, statements of which are available upon request.
7. The agency must not express an anti-missionary stance in practice or communications.

### **B. A College or Training Organization**

1. All of the above requirements of a Mission Agency.
2. It must offer courses in cross-cultural understanding i.e. anthropology, mission strategies, health preparation, financial preparation, accountability to sponsors and sending organization, and language study options.

### **C. Procedure for Registering a Mission Agency**

1. Before accepting any organization, first request the following in writing:
  - their published Statement of Faith
  - their published Statement of Purpose, description of Activities and Impact
  - a brief description of their leadership, system of accountability, how they are registered as an organization, and their perspective on sending missionaries.
2. If in doubt or needing clarification, ask for references, ask why they wish to come to Missions Fest, etc. Missions Fest is not obligated to accept any organization that applies.
3. When satisfied, have the documents approved by the Missions Fest leader with a signature and date.
4. Send an Application Form and review its contents after receiving it. Notify the organization of their status as soon as possible.