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The Society of Conservation Biology (SCB) requires that their Board of Governors (BoG) will hold a vote to approve the holding of each and all formal SCB congresses (e.g., International Congress for Conservation Biology [ICCB], Section congresses) and conferences (e.g., Working Group conferences) that hold more than a \$10,000 (USD) risk for the Society. All formal SCB congresses and conferences must serve SCB's mission to advance the science and practice of conserving Earth's biodiversity and be managed in a fiscally responsible manner. Therefore, the BoG maintains the right to cancel a formal SCB congress or conference at any point if it does not meet these requirements. These requirements are critical for ensuring that these convenings do not result in a financial loss and are designed to address the following SCB strategic priorities:

- Facilitate the creation and dissemination of conservation science.
- Advance the application of conservation science to management, policy and education.
- Empower Sections, Working Groups and Chapters to build local, national and international capacity.
- Build organizational capacity to maintain robust and sustainable economic and business models.
- Enhance services to meet current and potential member needs.