



## ESACT General Assembly May 7, 2019 Copenhagen



#### AGENDA

- 1. Welcome & Chair Report
- 2. ESACT Treasurer Report
- 3. Secretary's Report
- 4. Update ESACT Meeting
- 5. Members' Comments/Suggestions
- 6. AOB

## Welcome & Chair Report



### Welcome & Chair Report

#### ESACT XC - 2017-2019

- ESACT Innovation AWARD
- Promote links to Communities that can profit from ACT identify complementarities/build communication roads to cooperate
- Reinforce links with "sister" societies
- Revisit and improve Benefits for ESACT MEMBERS
- Communication Plan
- Renovation ESACT Office (actions on web page/newsletter)



## Welcome & Chair Report

ESACT XC - 2017-2019

#### & Consolidating

- > ESACT 2019 Chair & OC & SC
- > ESACT Courses
- Frontiers Group
- ESACT Grants Program

2017-2019 Mandate Executive Committee Meetings

Executive Committee Meetings
January 2018 – Lisbon
February 2019 – Copenhagen

Other Informal Executive Committee Meetings (only some members were present; no decisions that profoundly affect the society were made)

- Newport Beach July 2017
- > Tampa May 2018
- ➤ Llafranc September 2018



## **ESACT Inaugural Innovation Award**

The award recognizes outstanding innovators and contributors to the field of Animal Cell Technology

Stefanos Grammatikos ESACT Award Committee Chair: Terry Papoutsakis

@ 26<sup>th</sup> ESACT Meeting, Copenhagen



ESACT presents Inaugural Innovation Award 2019 to Dr. Volker Sandig, MD PhD





#### ESACT XC - 2017-2019

#### **Strengthen links with ECI (US), JAACT & SLACCT**

- US liason (reaching US community via CCE)
  - CCE ligison invited to ESACT XC
  - ESACT chair @ ECI CCE Org Com
- ESACT chair and ESACT 2019 Chairman participating in JAACT 2018 oral program
- ESACT members participating at oral scientific program of SLACCT annual meeting
- Re-connect with ESGCT.

#### Signature of MoU with:

- European Federation of Biotechnology July 2018
- European Society of in Vitro Toxicology



#### ESACT XC - 2017-2019

#### Powering Courses on Animal Cell Technology & Related topics

JRC Summer School on Non-Animal Approaches in Science, Italy May 21 – 24, 2019, Ispra, Italy 2 grants for Phd Students



#### Supporting Advanced Training in Latin America

- ➤ 2<sup>nd</sup> edition Mammalian Cell Derived Glycoproteins as Biopharmaceutics, September 2018, Santa Fé, Argentina
- CABBIO Centro Argentino-Brasilero Biotecnologia, Santa Fé, Argentina, October 2018
- Drug Discovery International Course, Instituto Pasteur, Montevideo, Uruguay, October 2017
- ➤ Production of Biopharmaceuticals in Animal Cell Cultures International Course, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 2017, 2018

ESACT XC - 2017-2019

## **ESACT Office:**

eNewsletters web page renovated

## The ESACT conference

Lisbon Meeting 2021 (one more day) –20-24 June 2021 ESACT: 45 years connecting science to cures

Edinburg Meeting 2023 (Alan Dickson will be the chairman)



## **ESACT Treasurer Report**

## Multiple bank accounts

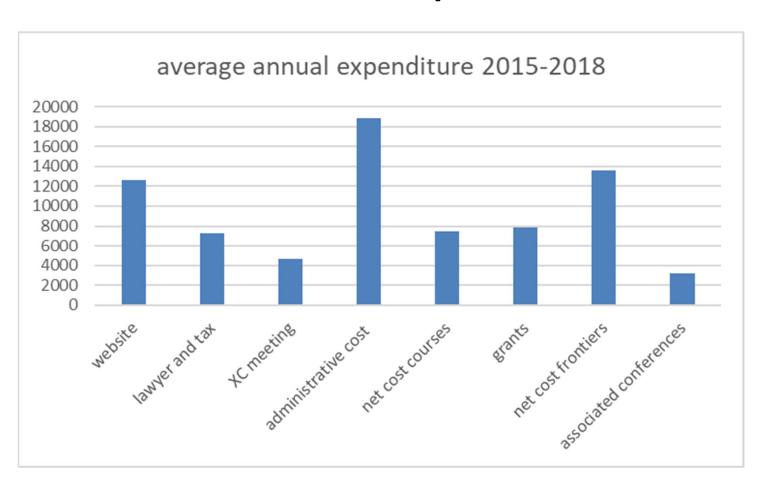
- Deutsche Bank
  - Current a/c = €292,829
- Commerzbank
  - All incoming payments = €221,962
- Raiffeisen Vienna
  - Deposit = €209,691

Total = €744,482 (Balance in 2017: €801K; Balance in 2015: €842,000)

## Use of ESACT funds

- Main income source is ESACT Conference
  - Surplus from each meeting is unpredictable (and is never guaranteed!)
  - 'Healthy' balance should be maintained to protect ESACT into the future
  - But, funds should also be used to promote ACT
- Agreed in previous GAs to increase spending on courses and other activities to promote the field – particularly for younger scientists
  - Travel bursaries
  - Courses
  - Frontiers group
- Administration
  - ESACT is registered 'not-for-profit' entity in Germany
  - Professional legal and accountancy support has been put in place (2016/17 books now filed)
  - Investment in professional design and support for website

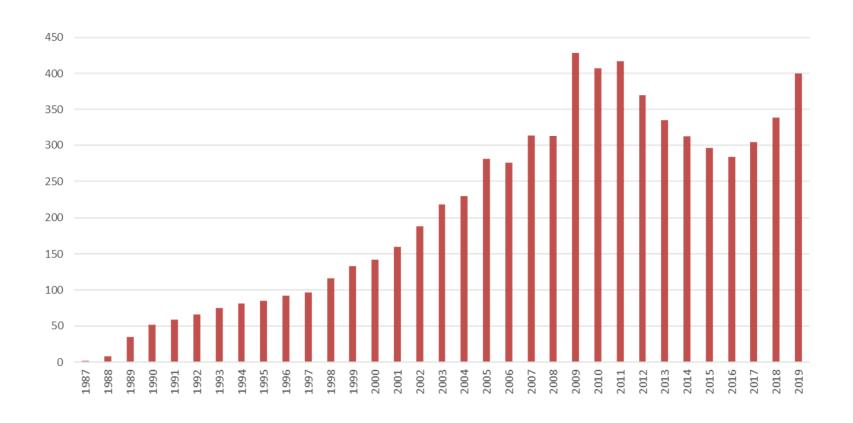
## Overview of expenditure





## Secretary's Report

## **ESACT** active members



## ESACT – all over the world

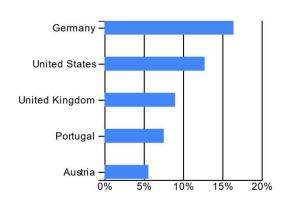
Country	active members
Argentina	7
Australia	2
Austria	23
Belgium	24
Brazil	9
Canada	9
Chile	2
China	7
Croatia	2
Denmark	17
France	13
Germany	101
Hungary	1
India	3
Ireland	16
Japan	4
Korea	5
Mexico	1
Netherlands	6
Norway	2
Portugal	20
Russia	1
Singapore	4
Spain	9
Sweden	12
Switzerland	34
Taiwan	2
Tunisia	2
Turkey	4
United Kingdom	20
United States	36
Uruguay	2
total	400



## New website

- New website enjoys frequent traffic
  - Up by 100% relative to last year
  - Up by 180% relative to the year before





## Newsletter

- Newsletter
  - More frequent and shorter
  - Short teaser with link to more detailed information if and when desired
  - High opening rates (25-50% relative to 14% industry standard)



## **ESACT Grants**



- Currently rather complicated procedure
- Submission dates frequently do not match conference times
  - In some cases decisions were after the conference
  - Earlier submission not possible for students as they needed to wait for abstract acceptance



## **ESACT Grants**



- New grants rules
  - Apply anytime (3 months before conference)
  - Clear and simple criteria
  - Follow a new tickbox application box
  - Prescreened by ESACT Office (Birgit)
  - Approved by Secretary, who will consult another
     XC member in case of any ambiguity
  - In case abstract is not accepted, then grant is withdrawn



## **ESACT COURSES**







#### **CELL CULTURE-BASED VIRAL VACCINES COURSE** - 3RD EDITION





September 23rd - 27th, 2018 Llafranc, Costa Brava / Spain

Paula Alves - IBET, Portugal

Francesc Gòdia - UAB, Spain

Course Organizers:



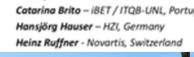
September 18 - 21, 2018 Llafranc, Costa Brava / Spain



Amine Kamen - McGill University, Canada Yvonne Genzel - MPI, Germany Francesc Gòdia - UAB, Spain







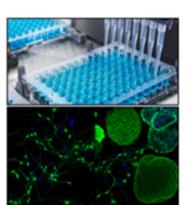












September 30th - October 3rd, 2018

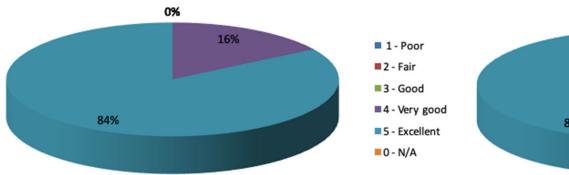
Llafranc, Costa Brava / Spain



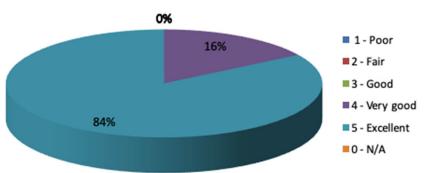


## ESACT Courses – Participants Survey **Animal Cell Technology**

#### 11. Overall impression of the Course



#### 12. Would you recommend the Course





## **Support from Birgit – ESACT Office**

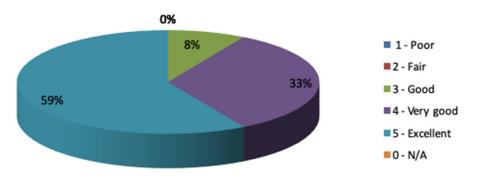




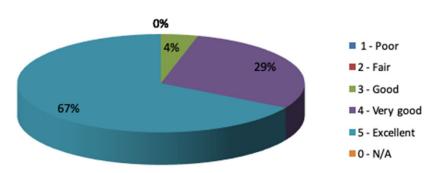
## **ESACT Courses - Participants Survey**

#### **Cell Culture-based Viral Vaccines**

11. Overall impression of the Course

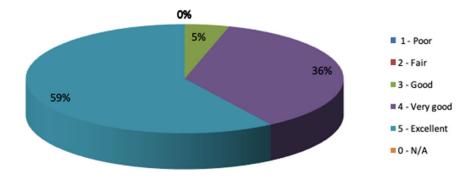


#### 12. Would you recommend the Course

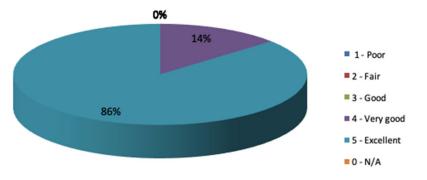


#### **Drug Development**

11. Overall impression of the Course



#### 12. Would you recommend to attend the Course





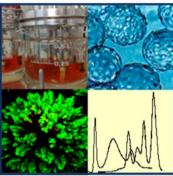
#### Applications deadline 15th June. Information at www.esact.org



## ANIMAL CELL TECHNOLOGY COURSE 9<sup>TH</sup> EDITION

22 - 26 Sept 2019

Llafranc, Costa Brava / Spain



hotos: www.ibet.pt

#### Organizers:

Francesc Gòdia, UAB, Spain Paula Alves, iBET and ITQB NOVA, Portugal

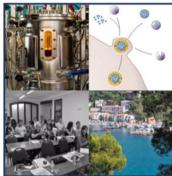


## CELL CULTURE BASED VIRAL VACCINES COURSE

4<sup>TH</sup> EDITION

29 Sept - 3 Oct, 2019

Llafranc, Costa Brava / Spain



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#### Organizers:

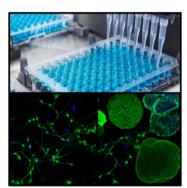
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## DRUG DISCOVERY COURSE 4TH EDITION

6 - 9 Oct, 2019

Llafranc, Costa Brava / Spain



Photos: www.ibet.p

#### Organizers:

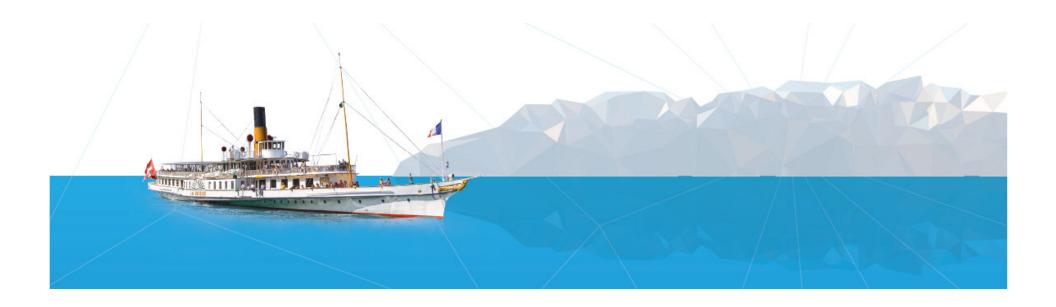
Catarina Brito, iBET and ITQB NOVA, Portugal Hansjörg Hauser, HZI, Germany Heinz Ruffner, Novartis, Switzerland

# ESACT 2017 Lausanne Final Report



## **EVENT REPORT**







## **HIGHLIGHTS**



- Scientific content
- Venue
- Boat trip











## **KEY FIGURES**



- 1081 registered participants
- 12 scientific sessions, 7 symposium/workshop sessions
- 378 posters



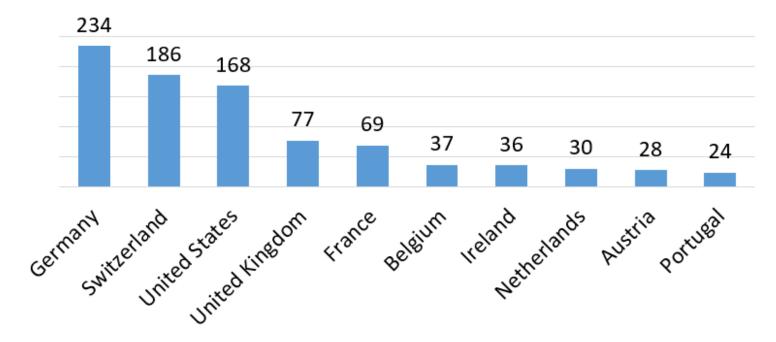




## **PARTICIPANTS**



Top 10 countries





## **PROGRAMME**

- Print version available on site
- Poster abstracts and list of participants online







## **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**



- Exhibitor's reception (Sunday evening): 500-600 participants
- Outing to the museum (Tuesday afternoon): 800 participants
- Gala diner (Wednesday evening): 550 participants





## **FINANCE**



Incomes CHF	
Member registrations	91'650.00
Non member registrations	415'590.00
Students	28'100.00
Other registrations	36'130.00
Exhibition	616'922.20
Sponsors	192'577.80
Total CHF	1'380'970.00

Expenses CHF	
01 - Congress Centre Rental and Infrastructure	223'882.75
02 - Printed Matter and Promotional Material	56'854.93
03 - Marketing and promotion	5'913.34
04 - Technical Equipment - Congress/Exhibition costs	74'885.20
05 - Services	5'390.00
06 - Material for Participants	7'126.20
07 - Invited Speakers & Committees	53'573.57
08 - Transportation/Shuttles	0.00
09 - On site secretariat of congress - Staff costs	17'826.45
10 - Pre-Congress Secretariat expenses	11'980.20
11 - Different Committee Expenses	40'085.53
12 - Meals and social activities	583'489.22
13 - Grants and Various	93'760.80
14 - Reserve/Provision	0.00
15 - Organization fee (PCO Fee)	181'734.03
Total CHF	1'356'502.22
Result CHF	24'467.78
Result EUR	20'627.02



## VIDEO CONTEST



- Award given during celebration diner
  - 1st prize (EUR 1'500): Eva Pekle MedImmune
  - 2nd prize (EUR 1'000): Alexander Nikolay on behalf of the Max-Planck-Institute
     Magdeburg
  - 3rd prize (EUR 500): Ileana Tossolini on behalf of the Cell Culture Laboratory UNL Argentina





# **POSTER AWARD**



- Award given during celebration diner
  - 1st Prize (EUR 3'000): Martin Gawlitzek
  - 2nd Prize (EUR 2'000): Daniela Sequeira (presenter : Antonio Roldao)
  - 3rd Prize (EUR 1'000): Eva Pekle





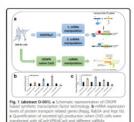
# **EXTENDED ABSTRACTS**

- 93 abstracts received and published (March 2018)
- Open access: https://esact.org/library/



**BMC Proceedings** 

#### Abstracts from the 25th European Society for Animal Cell Technology Meeting: Cell Technologies for Innovative Therapies

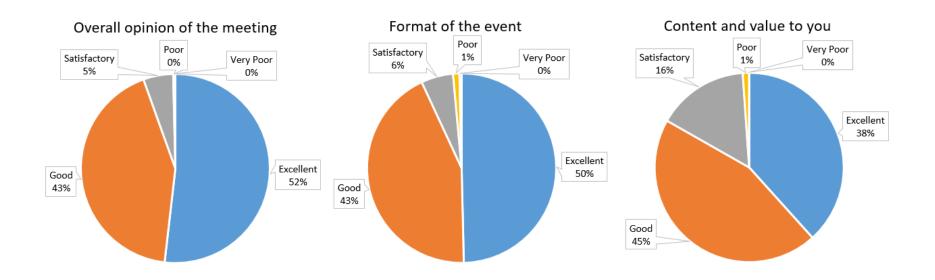




# **SATISFACTION SURVEY**



283 responses received (26% of total participants)





# THANK YOU!

Organizing committee

Francesc Gòdia, Stefanos Grammatikos, Martin Jordan, Laura Kühner, Nicolas Mermod, Georges Muller, Mikael Rørdam Andersen

Scientific committee

Paula Alves, Alain Bernard, Michael Betenbaugh, Martin Fussenegger, Chetan Goudar, Hansjörg Hauser, Nicolas Mermod, Anne Tolstrup, Rino Rappuoli

Executive Committee







# ESACT 2019 Copenhagen update

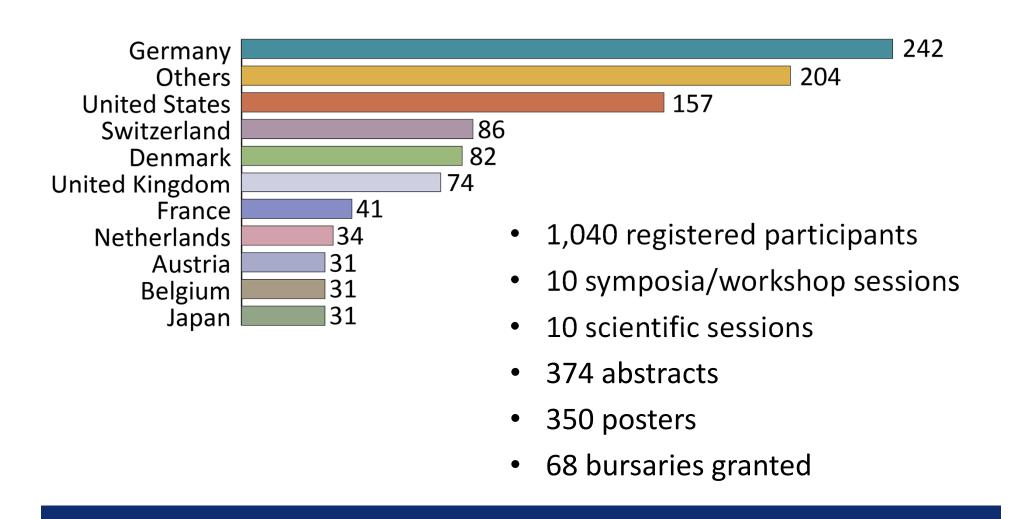
# 26TH ESACT MEETING

MAY 5 - 8, 2019 COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

CELL CULTURE TECHNOLOGIES:
BRIDGING ACADEMIA AND INDUSTRY TO
PROVIDE SOLUTIONS FOR PATIENTS



### **KEY STATISTICS**



# **FINANCES**

INCOME			
Members	161	756.480,00 kr.	101.541€
Non-members	347	2.315.760 kr.	310.840 €
Students	53	120.640 kr.	16.193 €
Other	73	195.280 kr.	26.212 €
Sponsors and exhibition		6.020.000 kr.	808.054 €
TOTAL INCOME		9.408.160 kr.	1.262.840 €

PROJECTED BALANCE 752.139 kr. 100.958 €

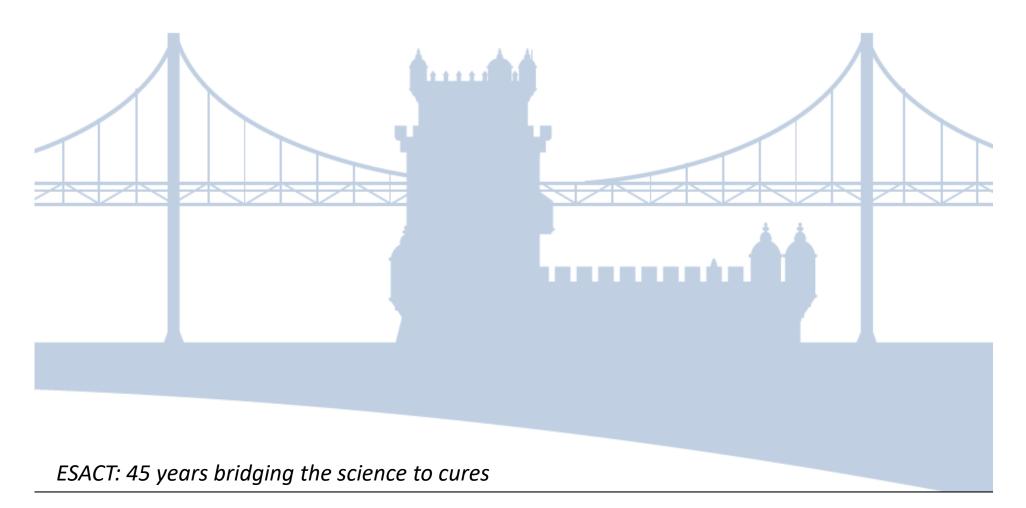
EXPENDITURE		
01 - Congress Centre Rental and Infrastructure	1.644.170 kr.	220.694 €
02 - Printed Matters and Promotional Material	152.000 kr.	20.403 €
03 - Marketing and Promotion	100.000 kr.	13.423 €
04 - Techniqual Equipment - Congress/Exhibition Costs	141.000 kr.	18.926 €
05 - Services	0 kr.	0€
06 - Material for Participants	118.750 kr.	15.940 €
07 - Invited Speakers & Committees	479.043 kr.	64.301€
08 - Transportation/Shuttles	21.000 kr.	2.819€
09 - Onsite Secretariat of Congress - Staff costs	168.000 kr.	22.550€
10 - Pre-congress Secretariat Expenses	120.000 kr.	16.107€
11 - Committee Expenses	235.000 kr.	31.544 €
12 - Meals and Social Activities	3.268.900 kr.	438.779 €
13 - Various & grants	610.526 kr.	81.950€
14 - Reserve/Provision	249.803 kr.	33.531€
15 - Organisation fee (PCO fee)	1.347.828 kr.	180.917 €
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	8.656.021 kr.	1.161.882 €



# ESACT 2021 Lisbon Introduction



#### **ESACT Lisbon2021**





#### **ESACT Lisbon 2021 Venue**





# **CCL** - Congress Centre Lisbon





#### **Belem Area**







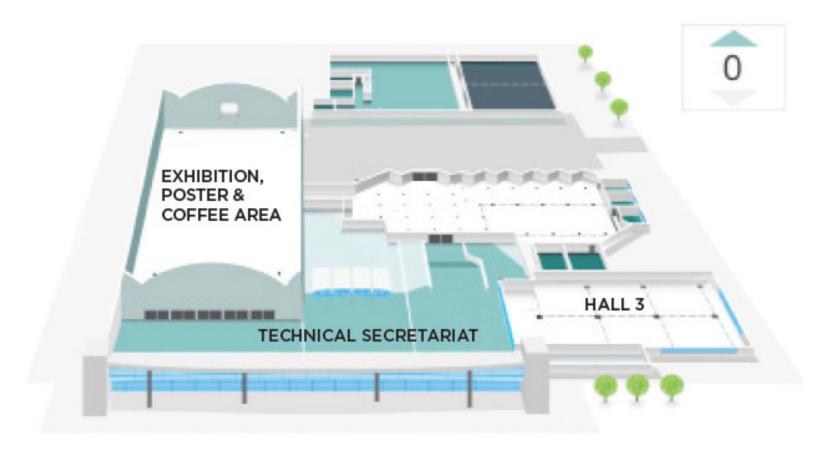








# **ESACT Lisbon 2021 maps**





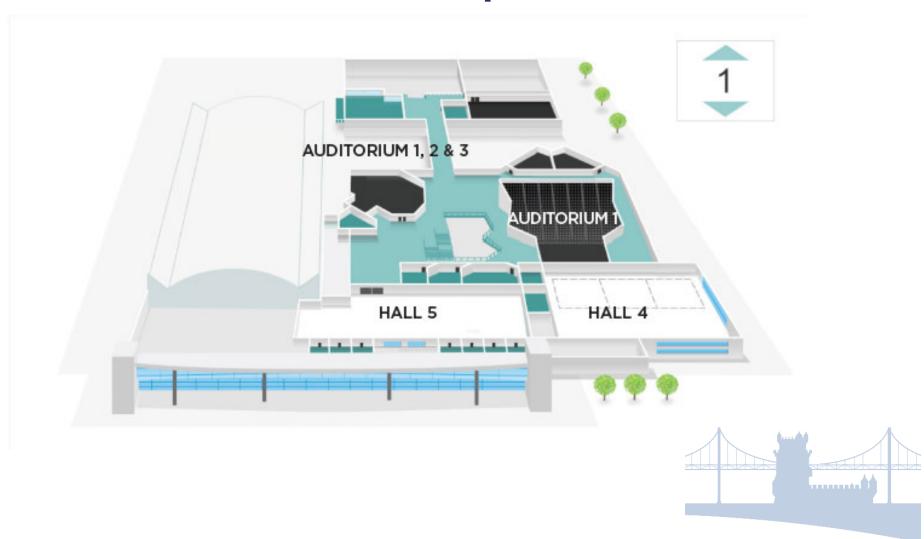
# **ESACT Lisbon2021** @ Exhibition Area

**■ HALL 2- EXHIBITION AREA, POSTERS AND COFFEE BREAKS** 





# **ESACT Lisbon2021** @ maps





## **ESACT MEETING ROOM DISTRIBUTION**

Auditorum 1- Plenary Meeting Room - up to 1500 persons





# **ESACT Lisbon2021 @ SC and OC**

#### **Social Events:**

Sunday: Exhibitors Reception

Tuesday: Excursion (place to decide)

Thursday: Final Dinner & Party (convento do Beato)







#### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Abstract Submission Opens 1 October 2020
- Registration Opens 1 October 2020
- Abstract Submission Deadline 21 January 2021
- Workshop Proposal Deadline 21 February 2021
- Abstracts Author Notification 21 March 2021
- Early Registration Deadline 21 April 2021
- > September 2019 Conference Web Page on-line





# **Preliminary Program**

	SUNDAY 20	MONDAY 21	TUESDAY 22	WEDNESDAY 23	THURSDAY 24	
08:30 - 09:00		REGISTRATION (OPEN ALL DAY)				
09:00 - 09:30		KEYNOTE LECTURE I	SCIENTIFIC SESSION	SCIENTIFIC SESSION		
09:30 - 10:00		RETNOTE LECTURE			SCIENTIFIC SESSION	
10:00-10:30	ACADEMIC SYMPOSIUM Session 1	Poster Students Highlights				
10:30 - 11:00		Coffee break				
11:00 - 11:30				SCIENTIFIC SESSION	SCIENTIFIC SESSION	
11:30-12:00	SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM Session 2	SCIENTIFIC SESSION	SCIENTIFIC SESSION			
12:00-12:30						
12:30 - 14:00	Break	Lunch				
14:00 - 14:30						
14:30 - 15:00	SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM Session 3	SCIENTIFIC SESSION	SCIENTIFIC SESSION	SCIENTIFIC SESSION	SCIENTIFIC SESSION	
15:00-15:30						
15:30 - 16:00	Break	Coffee break			KEYNOTE LECTURE II	
16:00 -16:30	OPENING SESSION		POSTER SESSION 2 AND COFFEE	SELECTED POSTERS - SHORT PRESENTATIONS	RETHOTE EEGTORE II	
16:30 - 17:00	ESACT Innovation Award Lecture	SCIENTIFIC SESSION			CLOSING CEREMONY	
17:00 -17:30					CLOSING CEREMONY	
17:30 - 18:00				POSTER SESSION 3 AND DRINKS	Dismantling	
18:00 - 18:30	SCIENTIFIC SESSION	POSTER SESSION 1 AND DRINKS			Dismanding	
18:30 - 19:00			SOCIAL EVENT:		Transfer to Congress Dinner	
19:00 - 19:30			Excursion & Cocktail			
19:30 - 20:00	EXHIBITORS				CONGRESS DINNER	
20:00 - 20:30	RECEPTION				CONGRESS DIMNER	
20:30 -21:00						



# **ESACT Frontiers**



# **ESACT Frontiers Program**



**Update Report** 

Copenhagen, 05 May 2019





# **Overview Frontiers**

- Established in 2014
- 7-8 members (early career researchers academia/industry)
- Team of international, early-career scientists with strong commitment to promote ACT among the young generations and realize new ideas & concepts





# Since 2017...

ESACT Frontiers in numbers

ESACT Retreat 2018

• ESACT 2019





# Communications/ Social Network

LinkedIn – 187 members



Twitter – 77 followers



82 attendees to EF Retreat (Zagreb 2018)





# **ESACT Engagement**

- ESACT Retreats 185 attendees over two editions (2016/2018)
- Applications for ESACT Frontiers (20 in 2017 and 14 in 2019)
  - Mentions to Frontiers in motivation statements
  - Mentions to Frontiers in two of the 2019 XC candidates
- Young people



#### **ESACT Frontiers Retreat**

**Biennial meeting** dedicated to **early career scientists** working in the cell culture technology and related fields

- to promote active networking among the participants
- stimulate their creative thinking emerging from interaction with peers
- to stimulate scientific discussions
- help to bridge the gap between industry and academia





# ESACT Frontiers Retreat Zagreb 2018







# ESACT Frontiers Retreat Zagreb 2018 - **Budget**

	Zugico Zi	OTO BUU	<u> </u>
	Venue expenses		
<u>Service</u>	Full Price (€)		
Hotel	21459.08		
Event & Gala dinner	6210.50		
Poster panels	488.22		
	28157.80		
	Personal expenses for reimb	<u>oursement</u>	
Frontiers member:	Amount (€)	Type of expense	<u>Comments</u>
Igor Slivac	517.07	Food and drinks	
Ricardo Valdes-Bango	365.82	Travel	
Paulo Fernandes	209.95	Travel	
Emma Petiot	380.08	Travel	
Verena Lohr	258.14	Travel	
Ana Filipa Rodrigues	443	Travel	
	Bursary expenses		
Student origin:	Amount (€)	Type of expense	Comments
Chile		Travel bursary	2 students
Europe		Travel bursary	3 students
Total Expenses	32447.86		





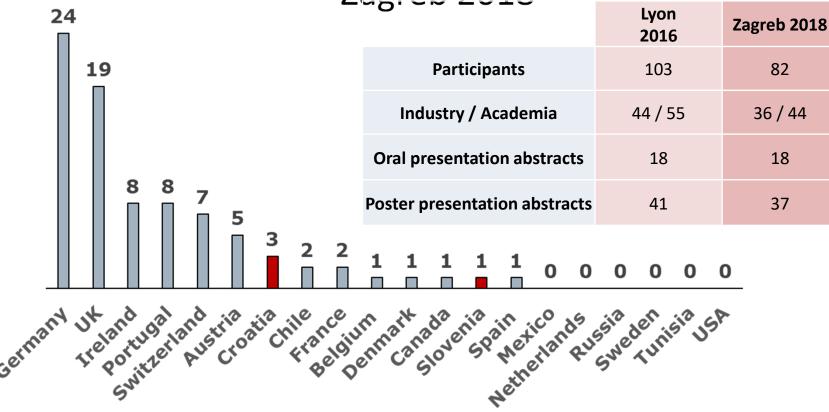
# ESACT Frontiers Retreat Zagreb 2018 - **Budget**

<u>Incomes</u>			
Frontiers member:	Amount (€)	Type of income	Comments
Sanofi	5000	sponsoring	
Novartis	2100	sponsoring	estimation - 2500 \$
Boehringer Ingelheim	5000	sponsoring	
Roche	5000	sponsoring	
Early registration	11400	registration fee	with/without abstract
Late registration	1500	registration fee	same fee
Total Income	30000.00		
Amount from 30,000 €			
<b>ESACT</b> budget needed	2447.86		





ESACT Frontiers Retreat Zagreb 2018

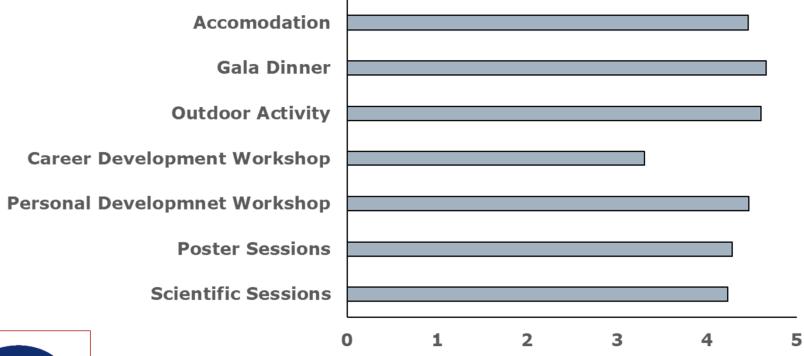






# ESACT Frontiers Retreat Zagreb 2018

Evaluation





ESACT XC Meeting and General Assembly ESACT 2019 Report



# ESACT Frontiers Retreat Zagreb 2018

Evaluation

"Pleasant atmosphere"

"Good to have all participants at the same location"

"Lots of networking possible"

"broad range of topics"

"more diverse sessions and more talks"

"too much focus on leadershiporiented PhD students"

"too few info on social media"

"too much marketing in career development session, not personal, not enough job details"



ESACT XC Meeting and General Assembly ESACT 2019 Report



# **Frontiers Team Renewal**

- Biennial renewal of half of the group based on seniority
- Applications open before ESACT Meeting and and new appointments happen there
- Selection of candidates made on predefined criteria





## **Frontiers Team Renewal**



A. Filipa Rodrigues



**Emma Petiot** 



Simon Ausländer

?



Christopher Sellick



Verena Lohr



Paulo Fernandes



Igor Slivac

**New Frontiers members** 

will be announced at the

closing ceremony



Ricardo Valdes Bango-Curell

Renewal ESACT 2019





Verena Lohr



Paulo Fernandes



**Igor Slivac** 



Ricardo Valdes Bango-Curell





#### For ESACT 2019...

- Promote participation (Frontiers Retreat Awards)
- Participation in the Scientific Committee
- Chairing Sessions
- Design Thinking Workshop
- Poster Evaluation & Awards
- Frontiers member running for ESACT XC





# Questions? Thank you!





# Announcement XC Election Results



#### ESACT XC Term 2017-2019



Chair: Paula Alves

Vice-Chair: Hitto Kaufmann

Treasurer: Niall Barron Secretary: Nicole Borth



Alan Dickson Francesc (Quico) Godia Kerstin Otte Stefanos Grammatios Veronique Chotteau



# ESACT XC Term 2019-2021 Members with a function



Chair: Paula Alves

Vice-Chair: Hitto Kaufmann

Treasurer: Niall Barron Secretary: Nicole Borth



# ESACT XC Term 2019-2021 Elected members (excellent participation of 102 votes)











Alan Dickson
Anne Tolstrup
Emma Petiot
Francesc (Quico) Godia
Stefanos Grammaticos

# **New ESACT Honorary Member**



Hansjörg Hauser



# Members' Comments/Suggestions





# **Thanks**