



**MADRID**

General Conference

***Feeding the future of IFCC***

*Chair: Bernard Gouget*

Hotel Auditorium-Marriott, Madrid, Spain

19-21 March 2016



**IFCC**

International Federation  
of Clinical Chemistry  
and Laboratory Medicine



# SATURDAY 19 MARCH 2016

## 08.30-13.00 General Conference Session 1:

Chair: Sergio Bernardini

08.30 **Welcome** Bernard Gouget  
**Opening of the General Conference** Sergio Bernardini

### 08.45-10.30 The IFCC Executive Board:

08.45 Strategic Plan (2016-2017) Maurizio Ferrari  
09.15 Treasurer's report Tomris Ozben  
09.45 Corporate Members' report Rolf Hinzmann  
10.15 Discussion

### 10.30-11.00 Coffee Break

### 11.00-12.30 IFCC Federations' Report

11.00 AFCB Layachi Chabraoui (Past-President)  
11.15 AFCC Adekunle B. Okesina  
11.30 APFCB Leslie Lai  
11.45 COLABIOCLI *To be advised (Uruguay)*  
12.00 EFLM Mauro Panteghini  
12.15 NAFCC David Kinniburgh  
12.30 Discussion

### 13.00-14.00 Lunch (seat assigned by drawing lot)

## 14.00-15.45 General Conference Session 2:

Chair: Leslie Lai

14.00 **EMD Executive Summary** Leslie Lai  
14.15 New trends in EMD  
Mentoring Programme Donald Young  
Developing Quality Competence in Medical Laboratories (DQCML) Michael Thomas  
Cancer Genomics: Revolution in Medical Practice Jason Park, Paolo Fortina  
15.00 Crossing science and education: HbA1c analysis:  
Understanding what is measured fundamental to interpretation Garry John  
15.30 Discussion

### 15.45-16.15 EMD-CPD Joint Interactive Session:

IFCC E-Academy: "The new tool for Implementation of Distance Learning Programs in Laboratory Medicine"  
Janet Smith, Peter Vervaart

### 16.15-16.35 Coffee break

**16.35-18.20 General Conference Session 3: Chair: Khosrow Adeli**

16.35	<b>CPD Executive Summary</b>	Khosrow Adeli
16.45	IFCC PR Activities: "Facing the Digital Future of IFCC Communications"	Edgard Delvin
17.05	Value and Impact of Laboratory Medicine in Healthcare: An IFCC Taskforce Report	Khosrow Adeli
17.25	IFCC Website: A Guided Tour	Janine Grant
17.45	Keynote address: Digital Publishing in Academia: Recent Advances	Tahir Pillay
18.05	Discussion	

**19.45-22.00 Dinner with keynote address and discussion Moderator: Damien Gruson (BE)**  
**"The protective role of Mediterranean diet on cardiovascular disease, risk in the Environmental Health Perspectives"**  
Invited Speaker: Prof. Demosthenes Panagiotakos Harakopio University, Athens (GR)



**SUNDAY 20 MARCH 2016**

**08.00-09.00 Continuation of the EB/Divs (Cs+WGs) closed meetings**

**09.00-10.30 General Conference Session 4: Chair: Rolf Hinzmann**

09.00	Introduction	Rolf Hinzmann
09.15	Strengthening partnership between IFCC and Corporate Members	Graham Beastall
09.30	Keynote Lecture: Serving patients, physicians and payers, Challenges for the IVD industry in a rapidly changing environment	Patrick Bugeon
10.10	Discussion	

**10.30-11.00 Coffee Break**

**11.00-12.30 General Conference Session 5: Chair: Ian Young**

11.00	<b>SD Executive Summary</b>	Ian Young
11.15	Standardization of laboratory tests - why it is needed	Graham Beastall
11.35	Standardization of laboratory tests - how to do it	Greg Miller
11.55	Standardization - the example of thyroid function tests	Linda Thienpont
12.15	Discussion	

**12.30-14.00 Lunch (tables theme with Chairs of Cs/WGs/TFs etc.)**

## 14.00-15.20 Continuation of General Conference Session 5:

Chair: Philippe Gillery

14.00	Keynote address: Emerging and disruptive technologies	Larry Kricka
14.20	Measurement and clinical utility of CSF proteins	Kaj Blennow
14.40	Standardization of autoimmune tests: successes and challenges	Joanna Sheldon
15.00	Discussion	

## 15.20-15.45 Coffee Break

## 15.45-18.00 General Conference Session 6: Coordinator: Vanessa Steenkamp

Simultaneous interactive workshops suggested by IFCC Functional Units, National Societies and Regions.

Each topic will be presented 3 times, as per below schedule:

- 15.45-16.25
- 16.00-17.05
- 16.45-17.45

UNITS	TITLES	CHAIRS
TF-CB	Rationale use of contemporary and high-sensitivity cardiac troponin assays	J. Ordoñez-Llanos
TF-PG	Precision, Personalized and Stratified Medicine: the central role of Lab Medicine in its development and clinical utilization. Where do we stand, where can we go?	R. van Schaik
TF-PLM	Critical Values for Use in Children	M. Hersberger, V. Grey
TF-YS	Research as a career – Young Scientist Perspective	P. Dabla
C-AQ-C-CLM	What is the best strategy to achieve compliance with QMS- and QC-requirements in the clinical laboratory?	E. Amann, S. Yenice
CLMA/IFCC Project	Increasing Clinical Effectiveness (ICE)	G. Beastall
AACB (AU) / ACB (UK) AACC (US)	Estimating the value of Laboratory Medicine	H. Morris, A. St John

Turkish Biochemical Society (TBS)	1. Biological variation and patient safety. How should clinicians interpret laboratory results?	A. Coskun
	2. Worldwide standardized education and training in clinical chemistry and laboratory medicine	D. Aslan
Radio "El Microscopio"	Information and communications technology, Knowledge Management System: from Development to Effective Implementation - Adding Value to our work	H. Fares-Taie, S. Fares-Taie
TF-POCT	POCT: Tackling the Current Issues and Planning for Future Ones	R. Tirimacco
TF-PT	Meeting the clients with the producers on Proficiency Testing of rare analytes	A. Haliassos
C-EUBD	The initial interpretation of the IFCC/IDF/WHO questionnaire	G. Garry, E. English

**17.45 Open meeting with all IFCC National Representatives and Representatives from Iberoamerican countries**  
Rosa Sierra Amor, Jose Queraltó  
Participation at IFCC activities, and sharing experiences: Interactive discussion

**19.30-22.00 Gala Dinner**



# MONDAY 21 MARCH 2016

**08.00-09.00 Continuation of the EB/Divs (Cs+WGs) closed meetings**

**09.00-10.30 General Conference Session 7: Chair: Tomáš Zima**

**09.00 C-CC Executive summary**  
**The emergent hybrid Lab Med Conferences: future vision of IFCC congresses and meetings**  
Tomáš Zima

**09.30 Evolution of the IVD Industry's ongoing support for congresses according the business ethics codes**  
Peng Yin

**09.50 The forthcoming IFCC congresses** presented by the Congress Presidents

XIV APFCB	Tapei, TW	(Nov 26-29, 2016)
IFCC-EFLM EuroMedLab 2017	Athens, GR	(June 11-15, 2017)
XXIII COLABLI OCLI Congress 2017	Punta del Este, UY	(Sept 17-22, 2017)
XXIII IFCC WorldLab 2017	Durban, ZA	(Oct 22-25, 2017)
XXIV IFCC WorldLab 2020	Seoul, KR	(May 24-28, 2020)

**10.20 Discussion**

**10.30-11.20** **TF-Ethics: Pearls along with three complete “Pearls”** **Chair: Ann Gronowski**  
Introduction to bioethics, Ethics in publishing and Ethics education

**11.20- 11.30** **Coffee break**

**11.30-12.00** **Closing remarks** **Maurizio Ferrari**  
Outcome of the Madrid General Conference and new perspectives for IFCC

**12.30-13.45** **Lunch**

**14.00-15.30** **Regional Federations’ closed meetings**

**15.30-18.30** **Free afternoon: City tour sponsored by Sociedad Española de Bioquímica Clínica y Patología Molecular (SEQC)**

**20.00-22.00** **Dinner**



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