

## Invitation to the 15th Balkan Congress on Human Genetics and 3rd Alpe Adria Meeting of Human Genetics

Dear colleagues and friends,

we are excited and honored to invite you to the 15th Balkan Congress on Human Genetics and 3rd Alpe Adria Meeting of Human Genetics, a distinguished gathering of experts, researchers, and clinicians dedicated to advancing genomic medicine and fostering collaboration across our region. Taking place in **Bled, Slovenia from October 9th to 11th, 2025**, this congress will serve as a unique platform to discuss the latest advancements in human genetics.

This year, we will highlight and promote the discussion of key regional initiatives shaping the future of genomic medicine, including the Balkan Genome Project, cross-border data sharing efforts, and collaborative strategies for solving undiagnosed patient cases. To further drive discussions and strengthen cooperation, the congress will feature a roundtable session launching the Genome Forum, bringing together experts to explore the next steps in genomic research and data integration across the region.

We are happy to announce that several renowned international experts in the field of human genetics have already confirmed their participation. We also invite you to participate with your contributions and share your experience and findings with us.

Please mark the following important dates for abstract submission and registration:

- **May 5 – Abstract submission deadline**
- **May 23 – Notification of abstract acceptance**
- **June 20 – Early registration deadline**

To kick off the congress, we are pleased to host a Next-Generation Sequencing (NGS) Workshop on the morning of October 9th, focusing on the most challenging aspect of NGS – data interpretation. This session will provide a practical learning experience for both young and experienced participants, particularly clinicians looking to engage with genomic data interpretation in clinical practice. Additionally, an ISO quality workshop will be held during the congress, offering insights into standardization and quality assurance in genetic diagnostics.

You can find more information on the congress website: <https://www.bledgenetics2025.com/>

We are honored to serve as hosts for this year's congress and to bring together such an incredible community of experts and colleagues. Your participation will make this event even more meaningful, and we sincerely hope to see you there!

With warm regards,

The Organizing and Scientific Committee of the 15th Balkan Congress on Human Genetics and 3rd Alpe Adria Meeting of Human Genetics