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MADRID, 9-11 DEC. 2021
LA PAZ University Hospital

9th PATIENT COUNCIL SESSION
From 3 PM to 5 PM

10th PLENARY BOARD, DAY 1
From 9 AM to 6 PM

11th PLENARY BOARD, DAY 2
From 9 AM to 1 PM



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THURSDAY 9TH PROGRAM

PATIENT COUNCIL

PRESENTED BY DORICA DAN AND GABOR POGANY



- 15 H 00** Opening session and overview of ERN ITHACA Patient Council - Speaker: Dorica Dan, PC Chair, Romanian Prader Willi, Romania ; Gabor Pogani, Co Chair, Hungarian Williams Syndrome, Hungary
- 15 H 15** Rare diseases Patient Organisation in Spain: the case of FEDER - Speaker: Alba Ancochea, President of FEDER, Italia
- 15 H 30** Learning from challenges, achievements and opportunities - Speaker: Sue Routledge, Pitt Hopkins Syndrome, UK ; Ioel Detton, Association Noonan France, FR ; Tomasz Grybek, Borys the Hero Foundation, PL; Katarzyna Swieczkowska, PSONI - Polish Association for People with ID, PL
- 16 H 00** *Discussion with clinicians* | Sharing expertise and expectations - Moderators: Ammi Andersson, Pitt Hopkins Syndrome, UK | SE ; Anne Hugon, ERN-ITHACA,FR 
- 16 H 10** Bridging the gap between Centres of Expertise and Patient Groups - Speaker: Dorica Dan; Gerritjan Koekkoek, CdIs World federation, NL; Papatya Alkan, International Federation for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus, UK
- 16 H 40** *Discussion with clinicians* | Reinforcing our collaborations - Moderators: Ammi Andersson, Pitt Hopkins Syndrome, UK | SE; Annalisa Scopinaro, Uniamo FIMR Onlus - Federazione Italiana Malattie Rare, IT 
- 17 H 00** Closing remark and vision for the next ITHACA 2022-2027 - Speaker: Dorica Dan, PC Chair, Romanian Prader Willi, Romania; Gabor Pogani Co Chair, Hungarian Williams Syndrome, Hungary



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FRIDAY 10TH PROGRAM PLENARY BOARD - DAY 1



- 09 H 00** Welcome speeches - Speakers: Dr Juan José Ríos Blanco, Director of La Paz Hospital ; Dr Pablo Lapuninza, Spain ; Dr Alain Verloes, France
- 09 H 15** Overview of ITHACA Y4-Y5, Budget overview - Speakers: Coordination team
- 09 H 35** Second 5-year workplan propositions - Speakers: Coordination team
- 10 H 00** WG 4: Expert consensus statements - Speaker: Dr Raoul Hennekam, Netherlands
- 10 H 20** WG 6: ILIAD Registry - Speaker: Dr Morris Swertz, Germany
- 10 H 40** *Coffee break* 
- 11 H 10** WG 7: Research & Innovation - Speaker: Dr Marco Tartaglia, Italia
- 11 H 30** WG 8: Teaching, Learning & Training - Speaker: Dr Guiseppe Zampino, Italia
- 11 H 50** WG 9: Neurodevelopmental Disorders - Speaker: Dr Tjitske Kleefstra, Netherlands
- 12 H 10** WG 10: Spina Bifida - Speaker: Dr Giovanni Mosiello, Italia
- 12 H 30** WG 13: Patient Council - Speaker: Dorica Dan, PC Chair, Romania
- 12 H 50** *Lunch break* 
- 14 H 00** TALK| *Research strategies in EU* - Speaker: Hélène Le Borgne, European Commission Policy Officer
- 14 H 30** WG 5: Digital Health - Speaker: Dr Sofia Douzgou, Norway
- 14 H 45** WG 11: Fetal Medicine -Speaker: Dr Andreas Dufke, Germany
- 15 H 05** WG 12: APOGE - Speaker: Dr Alain Verloes, France
- 15 H 20** Final discussion and Vote on ITHACA's action plan for the next 5 years
- 15 H 40** TALK| 1+ Million Genome initiative/Beyond 1M Genome project overview - Speaker: Dr Serena Scollen, Head of Human Genomics and Translational Data at ELIXIR, UK
- 16 H 00** *Coffee break* 
- 16 H 30** TALK| *Artificial intelligence* - Speaker: Pr. Tanja ZDOLSEK, Research Project Manager at Jozef Stefan Institute, Slovenia
- 17 H 00** TALK| *Gestalt matcher* - Speaker: Peter KRAWITZ, Head of the Institute for Genomic Statistics and Bioinformatics (W3), Bonn University, Germany
- 17 H 30** TALK| *Strengthening synergies between ITHACA and Conect4children* - Speaker: Mark TURNER, Professor of Neonatology and Research Delivery at University of Liverpool, UK
- 18 H 00** Closing remarks
- 21 H 00** *Friendly Spanish dinner* 



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SATURDAY 11TH PROGRAM PLENARY BOARD - DAY 2

- 09 H 00** CIBERER and the Spanish Programs for Undiagnosed Rare Diseases - Speaker: Pr Luis Perez Jurado, Spain
- 09 H 30** TALK| A European Action Plan on Rare Diseases: How to get there and what to achieve - Speaker: Terkel Andersen, President of EURORDIS-Rare Diseases Europe, Denmark
- 10 H 00** 5 years of ERNs - opportunities and challenges - Speaker: Dr. José Luis VALVERDE, European Commission Policy Officer, DG-SANTE
- 10 H 20** Coffee Break 
- 10 H 50** TALK| Use of DNA methylation epigenatures for diagnosis of hereditary neurodevelopmental disorders - Speaker: Bekim Sadikovic, Professor at the Department of Pathology and Lab Medicine, Western University; Director of the Verspeeten Clinical Genome Centre, London Health Sciences
- 11 H 40** TALK| Human Phenotype Ontology: extensions for prenatal phenotyping - Speaker: Pr. Peter Robinson, Professor at The Jackson Laboratory for Genomic Medicine, USA
- 12 H 20** Wrap up and conclusion 



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