



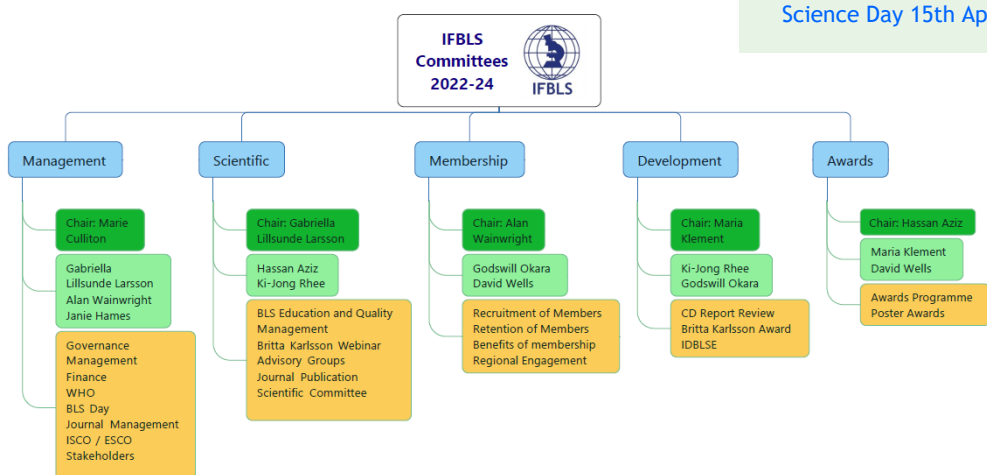
Dear Members

On behalf of the Board of IFBLS I should like to wish all of you a Happy 2023, may it prove prosperous for us all.

The IFBLS Board has been busy on your behalf with new committees formed and commencing on their programmes of work.

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Congress Guidelines

As agreed in Suwon, Korea, the Congress Hosting Guidelines and associated documents required some revision based on the changing global climate.

I am happy to announce that a team, led by President-Elect Gabriella Lillsunde Larsson has completed this work and Version 2.1 has been accepted by the Board. These documents are attached for your information, and have been uploaded to the IFBLS website.

[IFBLS World Congress Hosting Guidelines](#)

[IFBLS World Congress Planning Guidelines](#)

[IFBLS World Congress Application](#)

Congress 2024

The bids received for Congress 2024 were reviewed and the Board is now in consultation with the preferred provider, *The Singapore Association for Medical Laboratory Sciences (SAMLs)*, with a view to reaching an agreement. We expect this to happen before April and that we will be in a position to present the location for the 2024 GAD for your approval shortly thereafter.

Alternate GAD 2023

As agreed the location for the Alternate GAD in 2023 is Dublin, Ireland. The proposed date is the 6th to 8th October.

Further details will follow.

Management Committee Meeting

The Management Committee will meet in Dublin at the end of February. This will be the 1st 'in person' meeting of the committee since the start of Covid.

This meeting will consider the Alternate GADs in 2023 and plan for 2025 along with Congresses in 2024, 2026 and beyond.

We expect to issue calls for applications to host the 2025 and 2026 meetings in the 2nd Quarter of this year.

Biomedical Laboratory Science Day 15th April

As announced in December the theme for BLS Day 2023/2024 is:

Guardians of Quality and Patient Safety: Biomedical Laboratory Scientists

Please take this opportunity to highlight our profession and the contribution we all make to healthcare in your own places of work and countries.

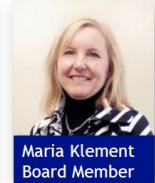
Posters to use during your celebrations will be available for download from the IFBLS website soon!

We look forward to providing further updates as work continues.

Yours sincerely,

Marie Culliton
President, IFBLS

IFBLS Board of Directors 2022-2024



Read more:

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- [IFBLS Annual and President's Report 2021-2022](#)
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