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Dear Colleagues

On behalf of the Board of IFBLS, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to each of you, and to your members, for your continued support and dedication to providing high-quality diagnostic laboratory services worldwide.

As your President, together with the Board, I have continued our journey of setting and advancing IFBLS goals and objectives. Throughout 2025, we have worked collaboratively to strengthen our global network, promote professional excellence, and support Biomedical Laboratory Scientists within an evolving healthcare landscape. Your engagement, expertise, and commitment remain the foundation of our shared success.

This year also allowed us to build on the reflections and momentum from IFBLS's 70th Anniversary celebrations in Richmond, Vancouver. During 2025, IFBLS continued to promote knowledge sharing through meetings and professional dialogue. Balancing the value of in-person engagement with more sustainable, economical, and accessible ways of working remains an important focus. In this spirit, we introduced a mid-term virtual member meeting to increase opportunities for engagement and interaction. The 2025 Chief Delegates meeting, and the alternate General Assembly of Delegates, was held in Stockholm, Sweden, in September.

Thanks to the hard work of the Board of Directors and our working committees, I would like to highlight several important achievements from 2025, including the relaunch of the IFBLS Scientific Network of Experts and the work of the ISCO Taskforce, which resulted in a proposed reclassification of Biomedical Laboratory Scientists within the ISCO classification Major Group 2 (Professionals).

We also look forward to continuing our collaboration with the World Health Organization. Recently, IFBLS received an invitation to join the WHO Steering Committee of the Global Diagnostics Coalition, further strengthening our role in global health and diagnostics advocacy.

As the year draws to a close, I would like to thank you for your dedication, resilience, and professionalism. I wish you and your loved ones a peaceful holiday season, and I look forward to continuing our work together in the coming year.

Warm regards,

Gabriella Lillsunde Larsson
President