

Foreword from the local organizing committee

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Foreword from the Local Organizing Committee

"Acceptance, tolerance and permissiveness"

It is our pleasure to welcome you to Amsterdam for the 35th European Immunogenetics and Histocompatibility Conference. It has been three years since our last in-person EFI conference held in Lisbon, so we are looking forward to meeting you again. This EFI conference will be the first ever hybrid EFI conference, so we hope this will allow everybody to be able to join, regardless of local travel restrictions.

In the challenging times we live in, our conference motto 'acceptance, tolerance and permissiveness' seems more relevant than ever. Together with the EFI Scientific Committee and Education Committee, we have put together a program that will encompass this motto. This year, 293 abstracts were submitted to the Scientific Committee for review with authors from 52 countries.

We sincerely hope that everyone will enjoy the possibility for an in-person meeting, and will learn from the plenary, teaching, oral abstract and poster sessions that we have put together. We are very appreciative of all our great line-up of speakers, as well as the chairs of the different sessions for their time and contribution to this conference. We are especially grateful to our corporate sponsors, who have continued to support us in difficult times, and without whom this conference would not be possible. We would also like to thank the EFI Executive Committee for helping us to create the best possible meeting, regardless of possible Covid-19 related restrictions. We look forward to a fruitful conference that will update us on the most recent research in our field of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics

We are confident that you will enjoy your visit to Amsterdam, the most tolerogenic city in the world, and that EFI2022 will bring you lots of new knowledge and friendship.

> Eric Spierings and Sebastiaan Heidt Co-chairs, on behalf of the Local Organizing Committee

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