



EUROPE BIOBANK WEEK 2019

8 -11 October 2019 - Lübeck, Germany

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Europe Biobank Week 2019: Biobanking for a Healthier World

Lübeck, Germany – 9 October 2019 – To find the right treatment for a patient, precision medicine uses data from genetic and molecular research. Biobanks collect, process and store human samples such as from blood or tissue, along with their associated data. Researchers and doctors then use these samples and data for research on targeted treatments. Thus biobanks are an integral part of the treatment process.

Europe Biobank Week 2019 is taking place in Lübeck, Germany, from the 8th to the 11th October 2019 with the theme: “Biobanking for a Healthier World”.

Europe Biobank Week 2019 is the largest European conference on biobanking, with over **600 attendees** gathering to discuss the latest challenges and opportunities of biobanking. EBW is co-organised by BBMRI-ERIC and ESBB.

This event offers **4 impactful days** of influential keynote presentations, dynamic discussions on precision medicine and biobanking promoting a healthier world, networking events, and a robust showcase of more than **50 interactive exhibits, technological advancements, and product innovations**.

“I am delighted to host the successful congress of EBW this year in Lübeck! This year’s conference offers an even wider scope of up-to-date topics as well as extensive pre-conference workshops and training classes for all our biobankers, stakeholders, corporate partners and sponsors. Knowledge-sharing and exchange will further be facilitated by many different networking possibilities within the historical scenery of Lübeck’s old town. I wholeheartedly welcome everyone to EBW2019 in Lübeck and look forward to an exciting and stimulating event with highest enthusiasm.” – Prof. Jens K. Habermann, President of ESBB and local host

This year’s **keynote address** will be given by Olli Kallioniemi, M.D., Ph.D. He is Director of Science for Life Laboratory (www.SciLifeLab.se), a national infrastructure for life sciences in Sweden, and professor in Molecular Precision Medicine at the Karolinska Institutet.

Conference highlights also include a series of social activities, ranging from guided tours to our Young Biobankers Evening to an atmospheric networking dinner at Schuppen 9 at the harbour front.



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Biobanking and BioMolecular resources Research Infrastructure – European Research Infrastructure Consortium (BBMRI-ERIC)

BBMRI-ERIC is a research infrastructure for biobanks and biomolecular resources. It currently consists of 20 Member States and one international organisation, making it one of the largest research infrastructures in Europe. Its aim is to connect biobanks and researchers in order to facilitate the use of samples/data collected in Europe. Go to www.bbmri-eric.eu for more information.

European, Middle Eastern and African Society for Biopreservation and Biobanking (ESBB)

ESBB's mission is to advance biosharing for a better world through mobilising, inspiring, and educating the biobank community across Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and beyond. ESBB (www.esbb.org) is a society of individual members, academic institutions, cooperate members and sponsors. Through annual conferences, strategic committees, working groups and other activities, ESBB provides a wide interdisciplinary platform for dissemination of knowledge, education, policy making as well as science and innovation projects. Together with our members, stakeholders and sponsors we address today's and tomorrow's biobanking challenges and biobanking opportunities for a healthier world.

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