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Dear Member Society,

We are very pleased to announce that the 18th Congress of the International Union of Microbiological Societies (IUMS) will be held in Florence (Italy) on October 23-25, 2024. The meeting, which will take place in one of the most beautiful cities of the world, will be a unique opportunity to bring together scientists working on Bacteriology, Virology and Mycology worldwide, to share and discuss the most recent advances and future perspectives in microbiology.

The topics that will be discussed include the microbial genetics, molecular biology, gene regulation, proteomics, and the applied aspects of microbiology, including biotechnology, clinical, medical, industrial, and environmental applications.

In addition, the 2024 IUMS meeting will be an opportunity to increase the awareness of the importance of microbes for the society and for the planet by discussing how we can actively work together to promote sustainable solutions to preserve microbial diversity and maximize global wellbeing. Special attention will be provided to facilitate the participation of young people.

We are delighted to offer IUMS members a number of benefits, including a discount on registration fees, discount on society booths and complimentary meeting room space for board meetings. For information and enquiries, please contact Yariv Gal-Yam, Director of Kenes Client Accounts at ygalyam@kenes.com.

Sincerely, Rino Rappuoli *President of IUMS*



