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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Crete hosts a prestigious International Neurosciences Conference**

**of the European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO)**

Fodele Beach Hotel, 6-8 May 2025

Τhe International Neurosciences Conference of the European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO), entitled "**Cell biology of the nervous system”,** is held at the Fodele Beach Hotel in Crete, 5-8 May 2025, **with the active participation and co-organisation of the Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology of the Foundation for Research and Technology – Hellas (FORTH)**.

The aim of the conference is to present recent scientific developments in the field of Molecular Neurobiology related to the nervous system development, function, and health, that push forward our understanding of brain function and disease. Fascinating scientific findings of modern cutting-edge research, emphasizing on novel scientific methods and emerging views, are presented in the conference. Recent research findings highlight how new insight into cellular function brings novel perspectives into the causes of disease of the nervous system.

The conference also aims to promote Crete as a unique scientific ecosystem that develops channels of collaboration with leading Research and Academic Institutions abroad. The high impact and interdisciplinary character of the conference is a pole of attraction for internationally acclaimed scientists from top Universities and Research Institutions abroad, which is a special honor for our island.

The conference is co-funded by the European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO, Germany) and hosts 21 distinguished invited speakers from world-class Academic and Research Institutions such as Columbia (USA), Cambridge (UK), New York University (USA), Max-Planck Institute (Germany), Institute Pasteur (France), Leibniz-Forschungsinstitut für Molekulare Pharmakologie (Germany), German Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases (Germany), Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center (USA), European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Germany), Veneto Institute of Molecular Medicine (Italy), University of Pennsylvania (USA), University of Queensland (Australia), University of Utrecht (Netherlands), University of Bonn (Germany), University of Bergen (Norway), Monash University (Australia), Institute of Science and Technology (Austria), Max Delbrück Center (Germany), and others. Moreover, internationally recognized scientists as well as young researchers from around the world, who are active in the broad field of Neurosciences, also participate.

The conference is co-organized by Dr. Nektarios Tavernarakis, Professor at the Medical School of the University of Crete, and Research Director of the Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology of FORTH, Prof. Claudia Bagni (University of Lausanne, Switzerland), Prof. Massimo Hilliard (Queensland Brain Institute, Australia) and Prof. Gaia Tavosanis (RWTH Aachen University, Germany).

For additional information, please visit: <https://meetings.embo.org/event/25-cell-bio-comm>