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## QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2021

### CTLS2021 ONLINE CONGRESS

The CTLS2021 Virtual Conference, hosted by Instituto Gulbenkian de Ciência in Portugal, took place from 13th to 15th September and was a great success!

#### Some key figures:

- 3 Days
- 8 Thematic Sessions
- 265 Participants
- 3 Keynote Speakers
- 8 Parallel Sessions
- 16 Invited Speakers
- 15 Short Talks
- 7 Posters
- 7 Community Workshops
- 8 Discussion Rooms
- 18 Sponsors



The CTLS2021 Steering Committee would like to thank all participants, chairs, speakers and sponsors for their help in making such a vibrant and fruitful meeting!

The Steering Committee are glad to learn from the feedback survey that approximately 90% of the delegates reported a high level of satisfaction regarding the congress contents and organisation – and the intention to attend CTLS2023 in Ireland is close to 80%!

In case you have missed anything, the recording of all sessions (excluding workshops and

discussion rooms, which are the responsibility of each organiser) can be accessed via the [conference website](#) using the following credentials:

Username: ctls2021

Password: CTLS2023Ireland

**Looking forward to seeing you all face to face in Dublin 2023!**

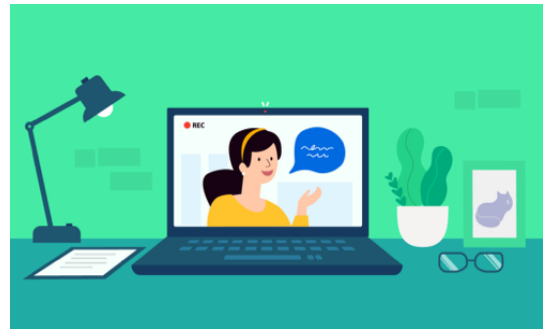
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### CTLS MONTHLY WEBINARS RETURN THIS MONTH!

On Tuesday October 26th at 4pm CET, we will be hosting the first webinar in our new series, entitled:

#### **Mentorship, Professional Development and Work/Life Balance**

The session will be hosted by Josh Rappoport, from Boston College, and Ian Brewis, from Cardiff University, and the speakers will be Dina Arvanitis, from Northwestern University, and Louise Gillic, from The Crick Institute



Please click [here](#) for more information and to register. We look forward to seeing you there!

In case you missed any previous webinars, video recordings are available for all CTLS members by clicking [here](#) (after logging onto the website).

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### NEWS FROM THE CTLS WORKING GROUPS

#### **Partnership and Funding WG**

##### **New Chair of WG Partnership & Funding – Emanuele Palescandolo**

WG Partnership & Funding was established in March by merging of two previously existing WGs – Networking & Outreach, and Funding & Corporate relations. This WG recently reached almost 20 members. We are happy to introduce new Chair of WG Partnership and Funding, Emanuele Palescandolo, who will lead this WG together with Josh Rappoport.

Emanuele Palescandolo completed his PhD training in Molecular Biology in Italy and then moved to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston for his post-doctoral training. During this time, he had the opportunity to join the first core, leading the operation of a Genotyping and Massive Parallel Sequencing facility. The expertise acquired in this space brought him to move through companies and countries, first to Janssen in Belgium, then to Covance in Switzerland and he recently landed in Saudi Arabia where he oversees the Illumina



sequencing, FACS/sorting and Single Cell omics at KAUST in the Bioscience Core Lab.

While being at Dana-Farber, Emanuele volunteered as leader of the post-doc association, recruited a talented team of post-docs and raised awareness of the organization introducing a printed newsletter, organizing post-doc retreats and talks. At the same time, he took part in the organization of the European Career Fair of MIT, an event with up to 2500 attendees and 90 prospective employers from EU. He recently organized the first NGS meeting in Saudi and the Gulf region. He believes that networking is key in work and life in general, spiced up with some luck.

### Communications WG

We are pleased that Anjali Panse has joined our working group as a new member. Anjali works at Boston College, USA – welcome Anjali!

We have been working hard to build our social media presence and it is great to see many new followers. Hopefully you saw all the activity during the CTLS2021 congress. Remember to follow us on [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#)!

Please continue to visit [CTLS Community](#), our members forum on the website. This is a place where members can share information and ask each other questions.

And finally please could all members update their profile by clicking [here](#), thank you. Over 100 of you are yet to do this and it only takes a couple of minutes! Technical Expertise, Scientific Expertise, Country and City are visible to members in the [Members Directory](#) in the Members Area of our CTLS website, and Country information will also automatically populate our [map](#) of CTLS members on our website. Let's gather this information to see where we are and how we can support each other.



### Community Engagement WG

The Community Engagement working group is pleased to have appointed a new leadership team of Leonor Heleno Wielgosz as their new leader and Catherine Naseriyan and Krzysztof Skowronek as their new co-leaders.

Leonor works in Paris for CTLS corporate partner Stratocore, Catherine works for Central Biotechnology Services at Cardiff University and Krzysztof works for the International Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology in Warsaw.



Thank you to Anna Kamenskaya and Patrick England for all their enthusiastic leadership of

this working group in the past.

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### CTLS Executive Council – new members required!

The CTLS Executive Council needs new members. All active CTLS members can apply to join the Executive Council by emailing their motivational letter and CV to the CTLS Secretaries [Katerina Hoskova](#) and [Josh Rappoport](#) by 31st October.

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### Learn about our latest corporate sponsor!

Agendo is a web-based platform that delivers a comprehensive set of fit-for-purpose solutions to core facilities and research infrastructures. Click [here](#) to learn all about our latest corporate sponsor.

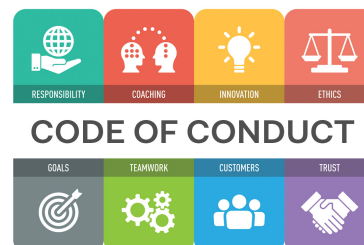



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### CTLS Code of Conduct

The CTLS Code of Conduct is now available as an option under the [About Us](#) section of our website. Click [here](#) to read it.

Our Code of Conduct is also on the footer of the homepage of the website. We hope that members and non-members will read it.




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### REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR CTLS MEMBERSHIP!

And remember to invite your colleagues and friends to join too!

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CTLS membership has many benefits including:

- Reduced rates and priority registration at CTLS congresses and events
- Access to CTLS sponsored trainings at preferred rates
- Networking opportunities with other core facility staff
- Access to CTLS webpages with news, job listings and event

Click [here](#) to renew or join.



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