

Highlights

EUROLAB National Members' Meeting & Accompanying Events 2022

20-21 October, Istanbul (Turkey)



National Members' Meeting 2022

The EUROLAB National Members' Meeting, Extraordinary General Assembly and Board Meeting were held on 20-21 October in person at Elite World Istanbul Hotel (Istanbul) and remotely.

This was an important occasion not only to discuss the latest relevant issues for EUROLAB and the world of laboratories, but also to participate in the International Conference "Lab of the Future, Future of the Labs" and the Seminar on "Best Practices for Sustainable Laboratories", jointly organised with TURKLAB.

The first day started with the Board Meeting, during which various issues were discussed. Attention was given to the cooperation with our stakeholders, among these EURAMET, IMEKO, TIC Council, EURACHEM, together with other notable key partners; Lab of the Future project; latest updates from the Technical Committee on Quality Assurance and the work of its Working Groups; and internal administrative and membership matters.

On the second day, the National Members' Meeting was opened by the EUROLAB President, Paolo Moscatti and among the key topics discussed there were:

- The presentation by Laura Martin, Secretary General, of EUROLAB Activity Report 2022 and strategy, including activities and projects developed with other organisations (EURAMET, EURACHEM, IMEKO, TIC Council, My Green Lab, EU institutions), latest advancements regarding the EUROLAB projects as the Lab of the Future, communications and visibility key actions, and engagement strategy with National Members.
- EUROLAB strategic planning for 2023, alongside the confirmation of our policy priorities for the coming year:
 - Regulation Bodies: EU legislation in testing, conformity assessment and product safety developments
 - Metrology and Calibration
 - Accreditation and Standardisation
 - The Lab of the Future developments including machine learning, digitalisation, cybersecurity, robotisation, AI, blockchain etc.
 - ESG: Sustainability, Green Deal, Corporate Social Responsibility
 - Business continuity and resilience: pandemics, climate change, and other natural events
 - Food with key topics as animal welfare, sustainability, animal and food testing
 - Medical devices and key legislative developments
- Contributions from the Members and invited stakeholders, including presentations by EUROLAB CH, GeLab, IMEKO and TIC Council.

On behalf of all the members, EUROLAB wishes to thank the entire TURKLAB Team for all the efforts and great organisation of the EUROLAB National Members' Meeting and accompanying events in Istanbul. EUROLAB is grateful and very much appreciates all the work done to organise all these successful meetings and social programme enjoyed by all the participants.



EUROLAB and TURKLAB Teams

Seminar "Best Practices for Sustainable Laboratories"

International Conference "Lab of the Future, Future of the Labs"

On the occasion of the EUROLAB National Members' Meeting, TURKLAB and EUROLAB organised the Seminar "Best Practices for Sustainable Laboratories" on 20 October and the International Conference "Lab of the Future, Future of the Labs" on 21 October, both held in Istanbul and remotely.

International speakers and sector experts gathered to discuss the latest opportunities and challenges that the laboratory world has to face to keep up the fast pace with the technological and sustainable development, with more than 100 participants in person and online.

The Seminar explored best practices for laboratories to address the challenges and opportunities of developments in the field of sustainability, focusing on topics such as corporate sustainability reporting, how to improve the environmental impact of activities and create a culture of sustainability in laboratories, with concrete examples from local labs.

The International Conference focused on the key vectors influencing the tools and directions for the lab of the future, taking into account various factors, including new frontiers in the field of testing, the industry perspective and other developments in sustainability, cybersecurity and digital transformation.



Participants during the *Seminar*
"Best Practices for Sustainable Laboratories"
20 October 2022, Istanbul



Participants during the *International Conference*
"Lab of the Future, Future of the Labs"
21 October 2022, Istanbul