## Welcome Message

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President of the Local Organizing Committee, IBRO 2023**Paola Bovolenta** 

President of the Spanish Society for Neuroscience (SENC)On behalf of the Spanish Neuroscientists, we are delighted and very honoured to host the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of IBRO World Congress, one of the most prestigious international scientific meetings. The congress will be held in the city of Granada, Spain, from 9-13 September 2023.

This World Congress represents a unique opportunity for neuroscientists from around the world to get together and enjoy excellent science in one of Europe's most impressive cities. We hope you will join us in creating an inspiring and diverse scientific programme, meeting the spirit of IBRO.

The Congress venue, Granada, is a crossroads of the most diverse cultures since the earliest times. In addition to the beauty of its pre-eminent past, Granada now offers all the comforts of a modern and dynamic city, as well as a cultural, cosmopolitan, and youthful atmosphere, in part thanks to its university, -the University of Granada, founded in 1531 and the third largest in Spain.

Besides offering an excellent, inclusive and comprehensive <u>scientific programme</u>, currently under construction, we will support the training of young researchers from countries with limited resources, making it accessible at preferential prices for attendees from developing countries. In the spirit of <u>IBRO</u>, we are truly committed to the present and future of our researchers, fostering their training and building a strong neuroscience community worldwide.

Considering the current evolution of the pandemic, we are

confident that, in over a year from now, we will enjoy the pleasure of face-to-face interactions in a safe and relaxed environment. Much like most of you, we are missing this much more fruitful and dynamic means of discussion, that further encourages participation and inclusion, well beyond the field of neuroscience.

We thus invite you to enjoy and take advantage of this unique event to showcase your science. On behalf of the Local Organising Committee and of the SENC members, we thank you for your cooperation with the World Congress and look forward to welcoming you in Granada in 2023.

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