



**4th Balkan Scientific Conference on Biology  
November 1<sup>st</sup> to November 3<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Plovdiv, BULGARIA**

**On behalf of the organizing committee, we are pleased to invite you to the 4<sup>th</sup> Balkan Scientific Conference on Biology that will be hosted at Plovdiv, Bulgaria between 1 – 3 November 2017**

Plovdiv University is one of the leading higher-education institutions in the Republic of Bulgaria. Also known as the University of Paisii Hilendarski, we are the largest university in southern Bulgaria and as well the second biggest in Bulgaria.

Faculty of Biology at the University of Plovdiv “Paisii Hilendarski” is located in the cultural reserve Old Town in Plovdiv, next to the Ancient Theatre. Nowadays the faculty of biology has more than 50 years of history. The research activities at faculty of Biology are associated with the changes in modern socio-economic conditions of transition to market economy and the process of democratization of society, the integration of Bulgaria into the European structures and the adoption of the achievements of European and world educational and scientific experience by providing resources for the new economy and society in the spirit of European cultural values.

**The conference will be held at Park-Hotel Sankt Peterburg, located in the heart of the city, at walking distance from historic sites, shops, hotels and restaurants.**

**We are looking forward to meeting you at BalkanBio2017 in Plovdiv.**

Sonya Kostadinova (Chair of Scientific Committee)

Iliya Iliev (Chair of Organizing Committee)

**Welcome to Plovdiv & Faculty of Biology, Plovdiv University**

**More information about 4<sup>th</sup> Conference on Biology: <http://balkanbio.uni-plovdiv.bg>**



## Scientific program

### Topics of the conference

- **BIOCHEMISTRY AND IMMUNOLOGY**
- **BIODIVERSITY**
- **CELL AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY**
- **ECOLOGY**
- **EDUCATION IN BIOLOGY**
- **FUNCTIONAL MORFOLOGY & ANTROPOLOGY**
- **GENETICS & SELECTION**
- **MICROBIOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGIES**

The program will include eight parallel sessions. Each session will consist of invited lectures, oral presentations and posters.

## ORGANIZATION

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## Invited Speakers

**Prof. DSc Margarita Stoytcheva,**  
Institute of Engineering, Autonomous University of Baja California, Mexico

**Electrochemical sensors for environmental analysis.**

For assistance with registration and other questions, please contact us at: [balkanbio@uni-plovdiv.bg](mailto:balkanbio@uni-plovdiv.bg) or [balkanbio2017@gmail.com](mailto:balkanbio2017@gmail.com)



## Abstract submission

The deadline for **abstract submission** is 1st October, 2017.

Abstracts will be included in the conference book if payment of the registration fee is done before 1st October, 2017.

Authors interested in presenting an oral contribution will be notified about the outcome of the lecture selection procedure before 1st October, 2017.

Plovdiv is one of the oldest cities in Europe. It is claimed that the city is a contemporary of Troy and Mycenae, but it is more ancient than Rome, Athens and Constantinople. Plovdiv is the second largest and important city in Bulgaria. Plovdiv is strategically important industrial, commercial, scientific, cultural and transportation-communications center on the Balkans region. The city is famous with the international fair, whose spring, autumn and other specialized exhibitions make it a center of economic and business. Plovdiv is a strategic railway junction and the airport "Plovdiv" recently established itself as an alternative to the airport "Sofia".

## Publication

### Book of Abstracts

All abstracts will be published in a Book of Abstracts (with ISBN).

### Article submission

The deadline for article submission is **November 30, 2017**.

Please, send your articles to: [balkanbio@uni-plovdiv.bg](mailto:balkanbio@uni-plovdiv.bg)  
or [balkanbio2014@gmail.com](mailto:balkanbio2014@gmail.com) not to the journal's e-mails.

### Poster information

Posters should be on A0-portrait format (poster boards are 0.96 m wide and 1.18 m high).

Poster presenters are kindly asked to mount their posters on the numbered poster boards before the start of the scientific program. The numbers of the poster board correspond with the numbers of the abstracts in the program book.



## Key dates

- **Until 15 September, 2017:** Early hotel reservation at Sankt Peterburg, Plovdiv
- **Until 30 September, 2017:** Registration and payment
- **Oktober 1, 2017:** Deadline for abstract submission
- **Oktober 10, 2017:** Notification regarding oral presentations (\*)
- **November 1st – 3th , 2017:** Conference

(\*): If you need a notification of acceptance before Oktober 10<sup>th</sup>, please contact [balkanbio@uni-plovdiv.bg](mailto:balkanbio@uni-plovdiv.bg) or [balkanbio2017@gmail.com](mailto:balkanbio2017@gmail.com)