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# Preliminary program

## Tuesday 19 September

9:30: MALDI-TOF training

13:00: Welcome + ECCO registration

14:00: Keynote lectures

16:00: Opening Expo 40 years BCCM + networking reception

18:00: Walking buffet + animation

## Wednesday 20 September

8:30: ECCO registration

9:00: Welcome address

9:15: Session 1 - Microbes in Health & Disease

Chair: Rudi Beyaert + ECCO board member

Keynote speaker: Chris Callewaert (UGent, Belgium): The science of body odor

Keynote speaker: Lars Vereecke (VIB, Belgium): Studying the microbiota-immune-tumor axis in colorectal cancer using germfree and gnotobiotic mouse technology

Nicolas Bruffaerts (Sciensano, Belgium): Airborne fungal spores in the outdoor air

10:30: Break

11:00: Session 2 - Microbes in Health & Disease

Speakers to be confirmed

12:30: Lunch

13:15: Session 3 - Microbes in Food and Agriculture

Chair: Stéphane Declerck + ECCO board member

Speakers to be confirmed

14:45: Break

15:15: Session 4 - Microbes in Food and Agriculture

Speakers to be confirmed

16:30: End of session

17:30: Guided visit Chocolate museum

## Thursday 21 September

9:00: Session 5 - Microorganisms in ecological applications

Chair: Annick Wilmotte + ECCO board member

Keynote speaker : Beatriz Roncero Ramos (University of Seville, Spain): Survival mechanisms of Antarctic microorganisms

10:30: Break

11:00: Session 6 - Microorganisms in ecological applications

Speakers to be confirmed

12:30: Lunch

13:15: Session 7 - Taxonomy, Phylogeny, Phylogenomics, Phylodynamics: new techniques and approaches

Chair: Leen Rigouts and Peter Vandamme

Keynote speaker: Connor Meehan (Nottingham University, UK): Phylodynamics in mycobacteria

Luc Cornet (UCL, Belgium): the BCCM GEN-ERA project

Frederik Baert (Sciensano, Belgium): Comparing culture collection strains

14:45: Break

15:15: Session 8 - Data management, infrastructures

Chair: BCCM coordination cell member + ECCO board member

Speakers to be confirmed

16:30: End of session

19:00: Conference dinner Atomium

## Friday 22 September

9:00: Session 9 – Science policy, career skills, valorization of collections

Chair: BCCM coordination cell member + ECCO board member

Speakers to be confirmed

10:30: Break

11:00: ECCO AGM

13:00: Closing lunch