

Letter of Invitation

To: IETS Members

From: Tiziana Brevini and Charles Long, 2017 Program Co-Chairs

Subject: Call for Abstracts <http://www.iets.org/2017/call.asp>

On behalf of the IETS and the chair of the Local Organizing Committee, Mark Westhusin, we would like to extend a warm invitation to all IETS members to join us at the annual conference of the IETS, scheduled for *January 14–17, 2017, in Austin, Texas*.

The program theme, "**From molecules to animals: Small things make big things happen**," includes the following topics:

- Gene editing: Concepts, tools, and achievements
- Molecular mechanisms regulating male and female fertility
- ART logistic and biosecurity for commercial embryo production
- Food for thought: Nutritional control of oocyte and embryo quality
- Embryo communications: Who talks to whom?

There will be a Practitioners' Forum, as well as a parallel session from CANDES. The DABE preconference symposium will take place on Saturday, January 14 along with a Morulas workshop.

An opening reception will take place on Sunday evening and on Tuesday evening there will be a closing party and activities.

Details about the program, including the invited speakers and titles of their presentations, are currently available on the IETS website at <http://www.iets.org/2017>.

The main conference will be held at the Renaissance Austin Hotel. Registration and program information will be posted on the website as soon as it is available.

Once again, we urge all members to use electronic submission:

<http://www.iets.org/2017/call.asp>

Deadline to submit abstracts is Wednesday, July 13, at 11:59 PM, Central Time.

Selection for oral presentations will be based on scientific merit, and priority will be given to abstracts that relate to the main session topics.

We sincerely hope that you will all be able to join us in Austin, Texas, to participate in this educational, fun, and exciting conference, IETS 2017!