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MIRRI IS21 **SAVE THE DATE** World Microbiome Day

Microorganisms are allies
Microbial biodiversity preservation, exploration
and valorisation for a sustainable future

WEBINAR 27th June 2021
11:00-12:00 CEST

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Implementation and Sustainability of Microbial Resource Research Infrastructure for the 21st Century (IS_MIRRI21) is a scientific project that aims to establish a pan-European research infrastructure called **Microbial Resource Research Infrastructure (MIRRI)** as a sustainable entity that provides different services to European and global innovators. As an actor in the research and innovation ecosystem in Europe, one of IS_MIRRI21 and MIRRI's aims is to reach out to the various members of the society to investigate and bring recognition to the value of microorganisms in our lives. In light of this, this webinar is meant to show what sustainability means and how microorganisms play a role in this process. The webinar is an impactful short info-session on the concept of biodiversity, its relevance and how humans use culture collections to preserve it.

What to expect?

The one-hour webinar will be presented by partners and experts from the IS_MIRRI21 project with background in microbiology and biotechnology who will convey the messages based on their field and professional experiences. The event will be a combination of presentations, quizzes and videos with dedicated sessions for the audiences to ask questions and interact with the speaker.

The key objectives of the event are:

- Present how EU funded projects such as IS_MIRRI21 are supporting the research and innovation ecosystem;
- Give an overall overview of how culture collections are used to preserve biodiversity and the roles of microbes in the sustainability of the environment;
- Discuss how microorganisms can be used by each and every citizen to create a sustainable world.



Who can come?

The webinar is open for all! If you are a student, teacher, parent, guardian, educator or just a microbe enthusiast, the session will be an eye opener to the world of sustainability, biodiversity and preservation of microbial life.

Agenda

11:00 | Welcome and introduction to speakers

Tedora Aibu (SPI)

11:05 | Demo session: Microbiome and Microorganisms for a Sustainable World

Anna Poli (UNITO)

11:20 | Let's play: Quiz on microbial biodiversity and sustainability

Giulia (INRAE), Anna Poli (UNITO), Tedora Aibu (SPI)

11:30 | Who we are and what we do in IS_MIRRI21/MIRRI

Tedora Aibu (SPI)

11:35 | Culture collections and their role in microbial biodiversity preservation and exploration

Giulia Cheloni (INRAE)

11:45 | Open floor: Q&A

11:55 | Closing

Registration

Registration for the webinar is free but compulsory in order to receive the links and updates prior to the event. Registration is open until the launch of the webinar.

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/uJpkBx1tQircCzQu6>

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Let's have fun together!



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