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## Welcome:

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### Welcome address

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the 9th biennial scientific meeting of the International Society for the Study of Fatty Acids and Lipids (ISSFAL), to be held May 29 - June 2nd, 2010, in Maastricht, the Netherlands. The overall theme of this meeting is "LIPIDS IN METABOLIC HEALTH AND DISEASE".

The upcoming meeting follows a tradition of high-level conferences devoted to both fundamental and applied research on the biological effects of fatty acids and lipid metabolism in health and disease. The program is comprised of 14 introductory plenary lectures and 21 concurrent sessions arranged in three distinct tracks, with a mixture of invited speakers and oral presentations of submitted abstracts. We have assembled an outstanding group of experts from around the world to present the plenary lectures. In addition, we will have poster sessions, an extensive New Investigator program and we have scheduled ample opportunity for formal and informal scientific discussion.

The venue of the meeting is the Maastricht Exhibition and Congress Center (MECC), situated only 5 minutes (by car) from the historic city center. Maastricht, the Netherlands, is located in the center of Europe and can easily be reached from Amsterdam and Brussel. We will gladly assist you in choosing your best travel and accommodation option.

We look forward to welcoming you to ISSFAL 2010 Maastricht!

Yours sincerely,

Jan Glatz, Renate de Groot, Patrick Schrauwen, Matthijs Hesselink, Kim Willems, Ray Rice



### Local Organizing Committee

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