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Dear EBSA members, friends, colleagues and students,

It is a real pleasure to announce that registration is now open for the XIVth International Congress of the Spanish Biophysical Society (Sociedad de Biofísica de España), a member of the European Biophysical Societies' Association (EBSA). This annual meeting, which is advertised and held in English to encourage the participation of scientists from abroad and to promote the "training" of our youngest collaborators in an international arena, will take place this year in Alcalá de Henares during 11-13 June. I do not need to remind you that this attractive city, very near Madrid, has a long academic tradition and is listed as a World Heritage site by UNESCO.

As the Congress venue, we have chosen the <u>School of Economics, Business and Tourism</u>. In this unique building belonging to the old Cisnerian University, a panel of distinguished speakers will deliver their lectures and contribute to the creation of a high-quality scientific environment in which recent advances and pending challenges will be exposed and discussed. In this stimulating atmosphere, we expect to potentiate motivation for research, consolidation of existing collaborations, creation of new links among different groups, and generation of stimulating new projects.

We encourage you to share your latest results, independently of their degree of maturity, so that they can be displayed as posters and discussed over two "poster party" sessions. From the abstracts received, a selection will be made for their oral presentation.

Both the SBE's Officers and the local organizing committee have made a great effort to confer this meeting a truly international character without increasing the registration fees relative to previous editions. Please note that early rates and a limited number of bursaries are also available.

I look forward to welcoming you in person in Alcalá de Henares next June and hope that we shall be able to share a few days during which scientific excellence, the pursuit of discovery, and true comradeship will provide the necessary amalgam to make this a pleasant and successful event.

With kind regards,

Prof. Federico Gago, on behalf of the organizing committee