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IPOPI welcomes over 600 participants in Dubai, UAE, at IPIC2017
Dubai, UAE

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The International Patient Organisation for Primary Immunodeficiencies (IPOPI) is welcoming **over 600 participants** interested in learning more about diagnosis and clinical care of primary immunodeficiencies (PIDs) at its third International Primary Immunodeficiencies Congress (IPIC2017), starting today in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

Between November 8 and 10, **40 renowned medical experts** as well as patients, nurses and other professionals will share their expertise at IPIC2017. The congress is designed to advance PID clinical care by putting the patients’ interest at the centre of all discussions.

Key PID topics such as **early detection for optimal care,** immune dysregulations, transplant advances, PID clinical priorities by world region, novel treatments, among many others will be presented and discussed.

IPIC2017 is endorsed by **34 medical and professional societies** and was granted **13 Continuing Medical Education credits** by the European Union of Medical Experts. Over 170 posters for **presentations were submitted for the congress many of which by young physicians with an interest in PID.** The authors of the three best posters will be distinguished with a monetary grant and given the opportunity to present in a dedicated congress session.

**Jose Drabwell,** IPOPI President, stated that ‘IPOPI is very proud of how well the congress is being received in the Middle East and could not have hoped for a better first edition outside Europe’.

IPOPI is celebrating its **25th Anniversary** at the occasion of IPIC2017. The congress dinner taking place on November 9 in a fortress in the desert will allow congress participants to celebrate this major achievement in a traditional Bedouin style dinner.

**About IPIC:** IPIC2017 is an international scientific meeting focusing on the diagnosis and clinical management of Primary Immunodeficiencies (PIDs). IPIC congresses are organised every two years and attract physicians with an interest in PIDs, such as immunologists, paediatricians, general practitioners, among others. The uniqueness of IPIC comes from its clinically orientated programme prepared with the input from the key PID stakeholders: doctors, patients and nurses.

For more information about IPIC2017 please visit the official congress website: **www.ipic2017.com**

**About IPOPI:** IPOPI is the leading advocate for primary immunodeficiencies’ patients worldwide working in collaboration with patients, doctors, politicians, regulators, pharmaceutical industry and other relevant stakeholders. IPOPI is the Association of national PID patient organisations currently representing 62 countries.

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