Dear Colleague

On behalf of the Local Organisers, we would like to invite you to take part in the 17th IDS Congress which will be held in Beijing, China. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 17th IDS congress will be held online. The meeting is a showcase for the best current research in the etiology, immunopathogenesis, prevention and immunotherapy of Type 1 Diabetes and other autoimmune diseases.

The Congress will promote an international exchange of scientific knowledge and experience in the field of immunology of diabetes and other autoimmune diseases. The scientific program of IDS2020 will include plenary/keynote lectures and session talks as well as poster presentations. We aim to ensure that IDS 2020 will provide a variety of opportunities to exchange ideas and expertise as well as promote the network with worldwide research groups. We anticipate approximately 500 participants who are specialists, scientists and industry representatives with an interest in diabetes from around the world.

We hope that you will accept this invitation and look forward to welcoming you to the IDS2020 this October.

Yours Sincerely,

**IDS 2020 Local Organising Committee and IDS Council**

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