# event preview 2024

# IMMC12 - The 12<sup>th</sup> International Medicinal Mushrooms Conference

Bari, 24-27 September 2024

The organizers of the 12<sup>th</sup> International Medicinal Mushrooms Conference (IMMC12) inform about the upcoming conference.

The conference will take place in Bari, 24-27 September 2024 at The Nicolaus Hotel Bari - HO Collection. The conference will be organized in parallel sessions and poster



- Medicinal mushrooms in human studies: from healthy aging to different diseases;

- Legislation, certification and safety of mushroom based supplements;

- Medicinal mushrooms as a source of novel functional food and health benefits.

exhibitions. The official language of the conference is English.

After Kiev (Ukraine) in 2001, Pattaya (Thailand) in 2003, Port Townsend (USA) in 2005, Ljubljana (Slovenia) in 2007, Nantong (China) in 2009, Zagreb (Croatia) in 2011, Beijing (China) in 2013, Manizales (Colombia) in 2015, Palermo (Italy) 2017, Nantong (China) in 2019 and Belgrade (Serbia) in 2022, the 12<sup>th</sup> International Medicinal Mushrooms Conference (IMMC12) will be held in Bari (Italy) from 24 to 27 September 2024.

The IMMC12 is organized by the University of Bari "Aldo Moro" and by the Italian Society for Medicinal Mushrooms (SIFM). The title of the Conference is "Medicinal mushrooms: the bet for the future of humanity" in order to create focus, in addition to the topics already covered in previous editions, especially on clinical studies to legitimize the use of medicinal mushrooms not only in integrated medicine but also among Medical Scientific Societies. The aim is also to engage, empower, evolve and explore knowledge among both academics and industry personnel. Another goal of IMMC12 is to engage young people, facilitate face-to-face meetings and increase their interest in medicinal mushrooms and their different applications.

## **Scientific Program of the Conference**

#### - Keynote speeches

- Plenary lectures of invited speakers

Different symposia dedicated to:

- Biodiversity, taxonomy and ecology of medicinal mushrooms;

- Medicinal mushrooms culture collections, cultivation technology and circular economy;

- Biochemistry, biotechnology and pharmacology of medicinal mush-rooms;

- Use of medicinal mushrooms in animal husbandry and veterinary medicine;

#### Round table: uses of psilocybin in various diseases and in end-of-life care

A panel discussion on the topic organized by the Luca Coscioni Association, an association founded in 2002 by Luca Coscioni, an economist with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis who died in 2006. Among its priorities are the affirmation of civil liberties and human rights, particularly the right to science, self-directed personal care, the removal of architectural barriers, end-of-life choices, embryo research, access to medically assisted procreation, legalization of euthanasia, access to medical cannabinoids, and worldwide monitoring of laws and policies on science and self-determination.

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