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**BRIDGING the research and INnovation Gap for Rare Diseases in Europe by upgrading excellence of IMGGE**

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**Date: 4 and 5 November 2024; Location: Belgrade, Serbia**

**Kick-off meeting agenda**

**4 November – Overview of Rare diseases ecosystem in Serbia @ Mona Plaza Hotel**

	Arrival at Hotel Mona Plaza in Belgrade	
17:00-17:20	Welcome message	Dr Maja Stojiljkovic, BRIDGING-RD PI
17:20-17:40	Healthcare professionals message	Dr Maja Djordjevic
17:40-18:00	Patients message	National Organization for rare diseases of Serbia
18:00-19:00	Discuss in detail planned activities and in particular Y1 activities	All partners
19:00-21:00	Networking dinner	

**5 November – Presentation of IMGGE and BRIDGING-RD project @ IMGGE Institute**

09:00-09:30	Project Introduction	Dr Maja Stojiljkovic, BRIDGING-RD PI
09:30-10:00	KI presentation & The importance of biobanks in modern translational research	Dr Ljubica Matic, KI, Sweden
10:00-10:30	Diagnosing undiagnosed rare diseases	Dr Ann Nordgren, KI, Sweden
10:30-11:00	CNAG presentation & Bioinformatics expertise in solving RD	Dr Steven Laurie, CNAG, Spain
11:00-11:30	UAM presentation & Pharmacological chaperones as innovative therapeutics	Dr Belen Perez, UAM-CBMSO, Spain
11:30-12:00	Coffee break	
12:00-12:30	Twining implementation	Silvia Scaglia
12:30-13:00	IMGGE brief presentation (Administration, Project management office, Sector for technology transfer)	IMGGE management
13:00-13:30	The key of successful Research Support Office	Dr Richard Cowburn, Research Support Office, KI, Sweden
13:30-14:00	Lunch break	
14:00-14:30	Visit to the IMGGE laboratories and facilities	