

## Empowering the next generation: AttractAdria Fellowship Programme spotlights regional scientists at prestigious ISABS conference

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*Many young researchers in specialised fields like preventive healthcare struggle to move their work from theory into practice, a problem that is particularly visible across the Adria region. To change this, the EU-funded project [AttractAdria](#) is working to support young scientists and help them build successful careers “at home”. As part of this mission, the **AttractAdria Fellowship Programme** supported and financed a group of 15 young researchers from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia to present their work to the global audience.*

Led by Ivana Gulisija Radic of GENOS, a delegation of AttractAdria fellows participated in the prestigious International Society for Applied Biological Sciences (ISABS) conference in Dubrovnik, Croatia. The ISABS conference provided a world-class platform for these promising young scientists to present their discoveries to esteemed researchers and global experts. For the participating ECRs, the event was more than a showcase, it was an invaluable opportunity for international networking, career development, and elevating the global visibility of regional science.

**"Our Fellowship Programme is designed to give the future generation of the Adria region's scientists the visibility they deserve", said Gulisija Radic. "Presenting at a high-calibre international forum like ISABS not only validates their hard work but also connects their research with the global scientific community."**

As one of EU-funded initiatives, AttractAdria focuses heavily on institutional transformation and the advancement of personalised preventive healthcare in the Adria region, specifically focusing on Bosnia and Herzegovina. By funding conference attendance and facilitating direct engagement with international peers and experts, the project continues to build a sustainable and scalable support mechanism for young researchers.

The success of the Dubrovnik delegation highlights AttractAdria's broader commitment to bridging the gap between academic research, public awareness, and regional policy, ensuring that the brightest minds in the Adria region have the tools and the platform to thrive.

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**About AttractAdria project:** The AttractAdria (Attractive Research Ecosystem in the Adria Region in the Field of Personalised Preventive Healthcare) project is a multinational and multistakeholder initiative funded by the the European Research Executive Agency (REA), under the European Union's Horizon Europe research and innovation programme. The ultimate goal of the project is to develop a thriving and lasting research ecosystem in the Adria region for personalised preventive healthcare.

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