Subject: Call for organizing the 31st European *Drosophila* Research Conference in 2031 (EDRC 2031)

Dear members of the *Drosophila* community,

The European *Drosophila* Society (EDS) invites candidacies to host the **31st European *Drosophila* Research Conference (EDRC 2031)**.

If you are interested in organizing EDRC 2031 please email Mirka Uhlirova (mirka.uhlirova@uni-koeln.de) **before February 28th, 2027,** with the following information:

- Proposed host city
- Name of the lead organizer
- Names of the proposed organizing committee members

Once the application deadline has passed, we will follow the selection timeline below.

March 2027 - Shortlisting. The EDRC Meeting Working Group will review the applications, notify shortlisted teams, and provide them with information about organizing the EDRC conference.

May 2027 - Interviews. The EDRC working group will interview the shortlisted teams via Zoom and provide feedback.

August/September 2027 - Decision and announcement. The EDS Board will confirm the selection. The teams will be informed about the decision via email. The host city and lead organizer for EDRC 2031 will be officially announced at the EDRC 2027 in Bonn.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the 29th EDRC in Bonn, Germany, on **20-23 September 2027**. The 30th EDRC will follow in 2029 in Szeged, Hungary, organized by Gábor Juhász and colleagues.

We look forward to receiving your candidacies.

Best wishes,
Mirka Uhlirova
On behalf of the European *Drosophila* Society