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German Life Sciences to Join Forces

Bioperspectives 2007 in Cologne will host the formation of the new umbrella organisation “VBIO - Verband Biologie, Biowissenschaften und Biomedizin in Deutschland“, the German Life Sciences Association.

Besides the events within the official programme of the BioPerspectives 2007, we will experience today the unification of the German Life Science organizations: Both major representatives of Bio and Life Sciences in Germany - the “vbbm - Verbund biowissenschaftlicher und biomedizinischer Gesellschaften” (vbbm) and the “Verband Deutscher Biologen und biowissenschaftlicher Fachgesellschaften” (vdbiol) – will join forces.

The new **VBIO - Verband Biologie, Biowissenschaften und Biomedizin**, will for the first time comprise about 5.000 individual members, more than 30.000 members of life science organizations and 80 companies and institutions.

Thus, VBIO unites under one roof everyone in Germany who is involved in Bio and Life Sciences in schools, universities, industry, administration, research institutions or as a free-lancer. Members of VBIO represent the whole spectrum of Life Sciences from the molecular and the cellular, the organismic to the ecological level as well as biomedicine.

VBIO will contribute to enhance the perspectives of Life Sciences as well as those of Life Scientists:

- VBIO will support the next generation of biologists in high schools and universities, providing information about exciting career paths, raising the interest to study biology and communicate the excitements of life sciences. VBIO will commit itself completely to solidify the status of biology within the curricula.
- VBIO represents all bio and life scientists and supports their social and economical acceptance and recognition. VBIO acts as contact organization to governmental institutions, providing expertise and advice. VBIO will also continuously monitor the relevant political scene and will pro-actively communicate statements on current affairs.
- VBIO will contribute to create the best conditions for the best scientists to stay in or come back to Germany. VBIO is dedicated to help avoid further “Brain Drain” in our country.

All founding members of VBIO are deeply convinced:

Having joint forces, we will be able to cope with the challenges of the present and the future. And we will succeed in placing our exciting profession as what it is:

The Science of the 21th century. With excellent Bio Perspectives.

Let's look ahead together. Join the VBIO!

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