# Sustainability at EIBA 2025

**EIBA 2025** is committed to reducing the environmental impact of the congress and promoting sustainable practices throughout all stages of planning and delivery. We have developed a set of actions to involve all stakeholders — organizers, delegates, sponsors, and partners — in shaping a greener future for scientific events.

Together, we can make a difference.

### **Food & Catering**

- **Sustainable Water Supply**: Refill stations will be available throughout the venue we encourage you to bring a reusable water bottle.
- **Minimizing Food Waste**: Participants will be asked to confirm their attendance at social events in advance.
- **Leftover Planning**: We aim to collaborate with local organizations to donate surplus food.
- Sustainable Materials: Only reusable or biodegradable tableware will be used.
- **Local & Plant-Based Options**: Expect menus featuring organic, vegetarian, and locally sourced (km0) products.

# **Waste Reduction & Management**

- **Recycling**: Clearly marked waste sorting stations will be set up to help you recycle correctly.
- **Reusable Name Badges**: Please return your name badge at the end of the congress for reuse at future events.
- Paper-Free Program: All program details will be available digitally.
- **Zero Waste Gala**: We will reconfirm gala dinner attendance to avoid unnecessary food preparation.

# **Green Supplies**

• **Eco-Friendly Materials**: They will be thoughtfully selected — prioritizing recycled or organic materials and items from local social enterprises.

### **Participant Awareness**

• **On-Site Information**: Signage will highlight where and how to participate in our sustainability efforts.

## **Travel Recommendations**

• **Low-Impact Travel**: We encourage participants to select low carbon emissions flights where possible.

- **Sustainable Commuting**: Use public transportation to reach the venue. Detailed guidance will be provided.
- **Offsetting Emissions**: Participants will be offered information on how to calculate and offset their travel carbon footprint.

#### **Sustainable Accommodation**

We will highlight hotels with eco-certifications or sustainable practices in the official accommodation list, making it easier for you to choose a responsible option.

By joining us in these actions, you are contributing to a more responsible and forward-thinking scientific community. Let's make **EIBA 2025** not only a scientific success but also an environmental one.

# **CONVIN S.A. | Your Local Partner (PCO)**

CONVIN S.A. is an ISO 20121:2024 certified company. ISO 20121:2024 specifies requirements for an event sustainability management system for any type of event or event-related activity, and provides guidance on conforming to those requirements. CONVIN's ISO 20121:2024 sustainable event management system is designed to provide ideas and guidance for how the event planning can increase its social, economic and environmental sustainability and to promote wider sustainable practice to all interested parties.

CONVIN's sustainable event planning involves organizing events with a focus on minimizing negative environmental impacts, promoting social responsibility, and ensuring long-term sustainability. This approach integrates eco-friendly practices, such as reducing waste, conserving energy, and choosing sustainable venues, vendors, and materials. It also considers the well-being of the community and seeks to create positive social outcomes by supporting local businesses, promoting diversity, and ensuring inclusivity. Sustainable event planning aims to balance the enjoyment and success of the event with a commitment to environmental stewardship and social equity, contributing to a better future for both attendees and the planet.