



# INVITATION

for participation in

## THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE SPECTRUMS OF AUTISM: INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES AND SCIENTIFIC APPROACHES

*Dear Colleagues,*

**We are pleased to invite you to participate** in the International Conference “Spectrums of Autism: Interdisciplinary Perspectives and Scientific Approaches”.

**The purpose of the conference** is to bring together leading experts, researchers, and practitioners from various professional fields, involved in the sphere of understanding, supporting, and working with people on the autism spectrum.

**The event offers a platform** for presenting scientific research, innovative practices, and interdisciplinary approaches that contribute to more in-depth knowledge regarding the topic and the effective support models.

**The conference will be held on 9-10 November 2026 at the Rectorate of Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski” (Sofia, 15 Tsar Osvoboditel Blvd.),** with the option for online participation in the international sessions. Participation in the conference is free of charge.

### The conference programme includes the following thematic sections:

- Neurodevelopment and biomedical aspects of autism
- Mental health and emotional well-being in people on the spectrum
- Science and pseudoscience in autism spectrum research
- Pedagogical aspects of communication with children and students on the autism spectrum
- Social-emotional development of communication with individuals on the autism spectrum
- Policy and quality of life – social services, family support, transition to independent living

**We invite** educators, speech therapists, psychologists, special educators, doctors, social workers, researchers, representatives of institutions and non-governmental organizations, as well as all professionals involved in the topic to participate with reports.

**Reports presenting is up to 15 minutes.** Full texts of the reports are to be published in an electronic collection, which will be available before the conference dates.

### The deadline for submitting applications is March 31, 2026

**You can submit applications until March 31, 2026. Submit a request**

The deadline for submitting full reports is 31 May 2026. Reports comprising of approximately 16 000 characters with spaces to be submitted here [autismconference@uni-sofia.bg](mailto:autismconference@uni-sofia.bg), template for their preparation available [here](#)

Your participation will contribute to the development of a scientific dialogue and the building of a sustainable professional community dedicated to supporting people on the autism spectrum.

***We are looking forward to seeing you at the conference!***

Sincerely,  
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