

VIII SIENA THINK TANK

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Via Custoza 2 - Siena, Italy

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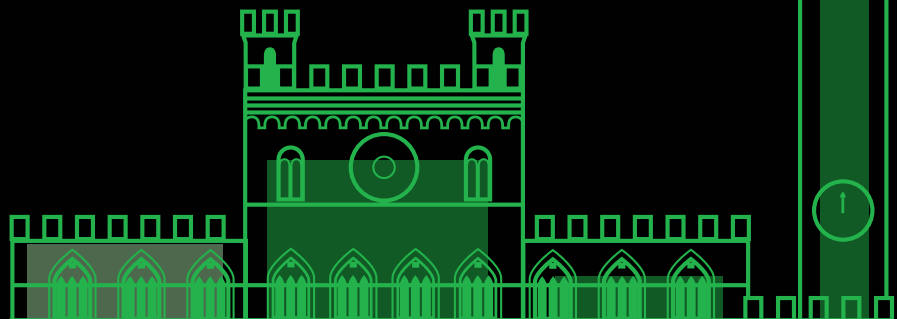
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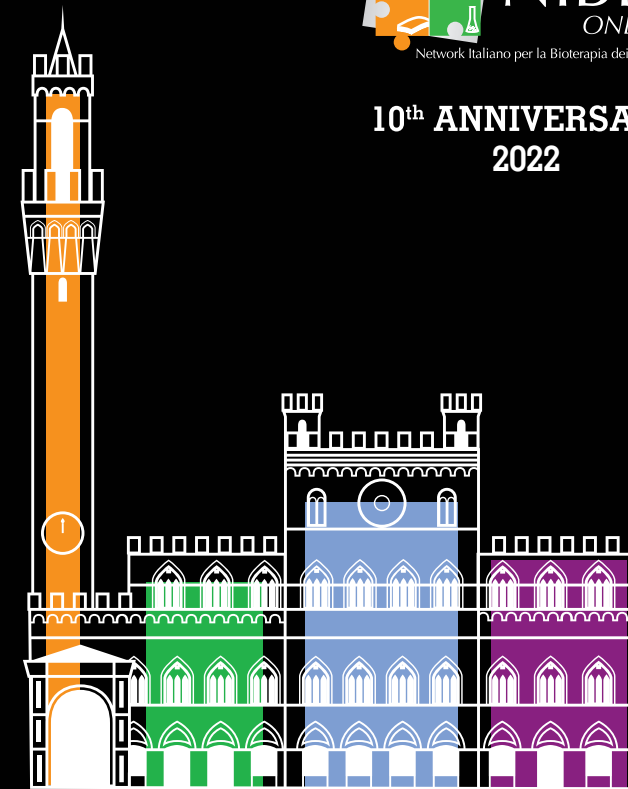


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The Think Tank is promoted by the NIBIT Foundation in collaboration with the Parker Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy and the World Immunotherapy Council

The VIII Think Tank of the Italian Network for Tumor Bio-Immunotherapy (NIBIT) Foundation is focused on sharing with the enlarged scientific community the research findings and initiatives of the NIBIT Foundation research team in the context of the rapidly evolving field of cancer immunotherapy worldwide. A great opportunity of professional exchange and scientific update for all participants.

As for the past editions, the Meeting is organized in collaboration with The Parker Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy (PICI) in San Francisco and the World Immunotherapy Council (WIC).

During the event worldwide acknowledged scientists in the field of cancer immunotherapy will debate about pre-selected scientific, translational and clinical research topics, engaging the attendees in highly interactive discussions.

Aims of the meeting will be:

1. Sharing the vision on highly selected I-O topics
2. Implementing new collaborations (pre-clinical/clinical/educational) among participants and with the organizational (and financial) support of the scientific Co-Organizing entities
3. Presenting research projects/ideas by pre-selected (also through WIC) young investigators in the identified topics of the meeting to be discussed and eventually hosted in Institutions participating to the Think Tank
4. Generating a white paper manuscript

Thursday
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17:30 - 18:00 **Welcome to the VIII Siena I-O Think Tank**
Michele Maio (Siena, Italy), Bernie Fox (Portland, USA), Ramy Ibrahim (San Francisco, USA)

18:00 - 20:00 **The Investors decision making process in non-profit research**
Chairs: Ramy Ibrahim (San Francisco, USA) and Michael Lahn (Geneva, Switzerland)

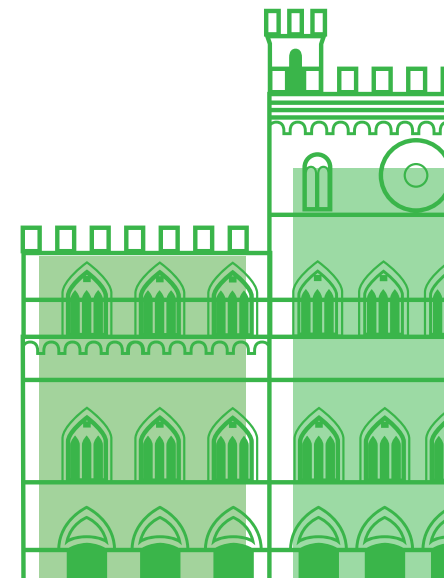
18:00 - 18:15 **The PICI** | Ute Dugan (San Francisco, USA)

18:15 - 18:30 **The NIBIT Foundation** | Michele Maio (Siena, Italy)

18:30 - 18:50 **The Analyst** | Asthika Goonewardene (New York, USA)

18:50 - 19:10 **Round Table** | Ramy Ibrahim (San Francisco, USA)
Panelists: All speakers and Chairs, Bernie Fox, and John Connolly

20:30 **Wine and Cheese**



Friday
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08:45 - 13:00 SESSION 1 | Focus on the PICI and NIBIT Foundation research: opportunities for joint actions?

08:45 - 09:00 *Chairs: Barbara Seliger (Halle, Germany) and Pedro Romero (Lausanne, Switzerland)*

09:00 - 09:30 **PICI: Dual functioning antibodies** | Samir Khleif (Washington DC, USA)

09:30 - 10:00 **PICI: Cell therapy across PICI portfolio Companies** | John Connolly (San Francisco, USA)

10:00 - 10:30 **PICI: Difficult to treat cancers** | Sumit Subudhi (Houston, USA)

10:30 - 11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00 - 11:30 **The EPICA Consortium: Epigenetically-driven prognosis and survival of Stage III/IV melanoma** | Andrea Anichini (Milan, Italy)

11:30 - 12:00 **NIBIT Foundation: Epigenetically-driven response to ICI therapy of melanoma and lung cancer** | Anna Maria Di Giacomo (Siena, Italy)

12:00 - 12:30 **NIBIT Foundation: Epigenetically-driven response to ICI therapy of pleural mesothelioma** | Luana Calabrò (Ferrara, Italy)

12:30 - 13:00 **Conclusions and call for actions** | Chairs

13:00 - 14:30 *Lunch*

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14:30 - 19:45 SESSION 2 | A future beyond ICI or ICI-based?

14:30 - 14:45 *Chairs: Patrick Garcia (KGaA, Switzerland), Roberto Camerini (Siena, Italy), and Bernie Fox (Portland, USA)*

14:45 - 15:05 **The achievements of 15 years of ICI** | Alexander Eggermont (Utrecht, The Netherlands)

15:05 - 15:25 **Replimune: Viral approaches** | Adam Yakovich (Woburn, USA)

15:25 - 15:45 **Regeneron: Bispecific antibodies in development** | Dennis Yoon (Terrytown, USA)

15:45 - 16:05 **Philogen: Novel antibody-cytokine fusions** | Dario Neri (Zurich, Switzerland)

16:05 - 16:35 *Tea break*

16:35 - 16:55 **Novocure: Tumor treating fields** | TbD (New York, USA)

16:55 - 17:15 **Neoantigens-based vaccines/Dark matter** | Rom Leidner (Portland, USA)

17:15 - 17:35 **Moderna: Personalized cancer vaccines** | Wei Zheng (Cambridge, USA)

17:35 - 17:55 **BMS: Early development** | Cosimo Paga (Bristol Myers Squibb, Italy)

17:55 - 18:15 **Pyxis Oncology: Early development** | David Cohan (Boston, USA)

18:15 - 18:35 **AZ** | Giovanni Melillo (Gaithersburg, USA)

18:35 - 18:55 **Roche: Early development**
Pablo Umana (Basel, Switzerland)

18:55 - 19:25 **Conclusions and call for actions** | Chairs

20:30 *Dinner*

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09:00 - 12:45 **SESSION 3 | Novel technologies to dissect the tumor-host ecosystem: single-cells, spatial transcriptomics and AI**

09:00 - 09:15 *Chairs:* Zlatko Trajanosky (Innsbruck, Austria), Michele Ceccarelli (Naples, Italy/Miami, USA), and Catherine Sautès-Fridman (Paris, France)

09:15 - 09:45 **Analyzing tumor microenvironment** | Wolf Hervé Fridman (Paris, France)

09:45 - 10:15 **Spatial transcriptomics 1** | Nikolaus Rajewsky (Berlin, Germany)

10:15 - 10:45 **Spatial transcriptomics 2** | Zlatko Trajanosky (Innsbruck, Austria)

10:45 - 11:15 **Coffee break**

11:15 - 11:45 **Conclusions and call for actions** | Chairs

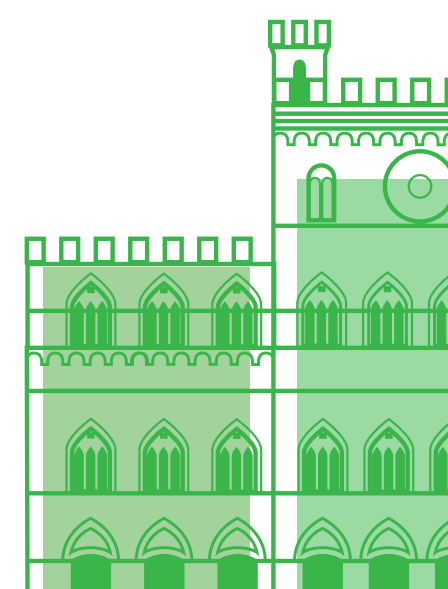
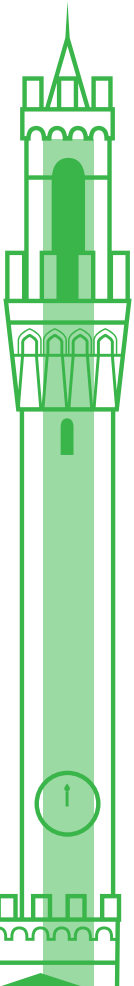
11:45 - 12:30 **The NIBIT Foundation Annual Lecture: Keep your eyes on the prize: adventures in drug development** | Renzo Canetta (Madison, USA)
Introduced by Lorenzo Moretta

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12:30 - 13:00 **SESSION 4 | The IX Siena I-O Think Tank 2025**

Chairs: Michele Maio (Siena, Italy), Bernie Fox (Portland, USA),
Ramy Ibrahim (San Francisco, USA)

Ideas and topics for the IX Siena 2025 Think Tank

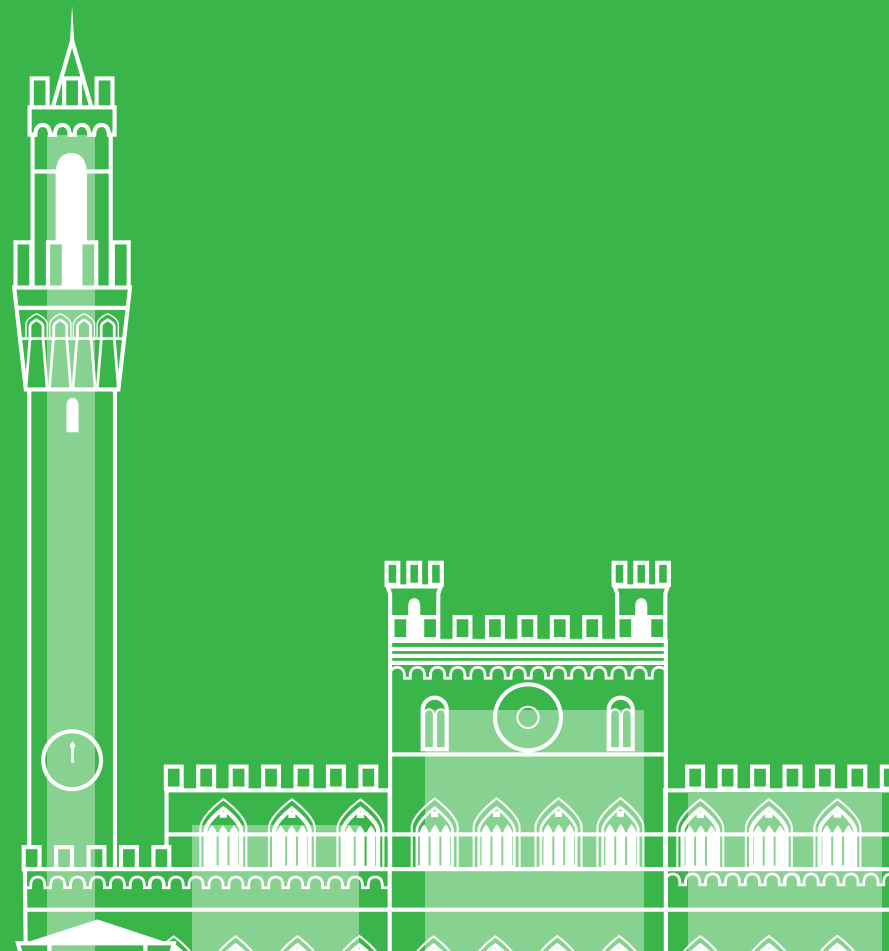


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