

## **“BIOPHILIA 2009”**

**Seventh International Biophilia Rehabilitation Conference 2009.**

**“Hermanos Amejeiras Hospital, *Havana*, Cuba. November 24-25, 2009**

Message from the Chair of the Conference.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, I am privileged to welcome you to the Seventh International Biophilia Rehabilitation Conference and to the City of Havana, Cuba. The International Biophilia based in Japan, the Cuban Society of Pharmacology and the Medical Research Center in Warsaw, Poland and on the context of the 80th Anniversary of the diplomatic relations between Japan and Cuba, are proud to be the hosts of this interesting scientific event.

The Scientific Committee has prepared a diverse scientific program structured around the theme of rehabilitation. Beside the classical psychological and physical aspects of rehabilitation we are specially focus on the inevitable and physiological process of aging and on the rehabilitation of the patient living with cancer, since with the new, efficient and low toxic biopharmaceutical treatments cancer is now considered a chronic disease.

While attending the conference you will be joined by many scientists coming from different countries who will be presenting their latest research findings in rehabilitation taking into account that the slogan of the Conference ‘love for life’ , the meaning of the word biophilia.

Cuba is a small developing country with a good health system and an average life expectancy nearing 80 years, and the country boasts over 1,800 centenarians.

Havana will be the perfect host city for a Conference as it is a multicultural, multiracial, and dynamic city known for its friendliness, warm hospitality, nice beaches and vibrant tropical dances as well as for its academic and biotechnology centers.

I wish you a warm welcome to Havana, and a scientifically rewarding and personally memorable experience at the Seventh International Biophilia Rehabilitation Conference.

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Chair, IBRC 2009