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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## The National Biophotonics Platform of Ireland

The National Biophotonics Platform of Ireland (NBIPI) www.nbipireland.ie are pleased to announce two premier events in biophotonics.

In association with Photonics4Life, The Biophotonics Imaging Summer School (BIGSS) will take place from 27 August to 2 September 2010. This summer school will feature an extensive and stimulating line up of talks focussing on the evolution of bio and nanophotonics towards the clinical domain. Guest Speakers include: Bruce J. Tromberg, Stefan Andersson-Engels, Jürgen Popp, Jörg Enderlein ... and many more! The summer school is primarily aimed at PhD students and early stage researchers. Registration for the summer school is free, and a special rate for accommodation of only Eur 400 is available for students who choose to book through the BIGSS administration. Please refer to our website for more information. Further details can be found by going to www.biophotonics.ul.ie/bigss.html.

From 18–20 October 2010, NBIPI will host its inaugural conference in Biophotonics and Imaging (BioPIC) and are now welcoming registrations. The conference will be held in Dunboyne Castle Co. Meath and an international line up of speakers will deliver talks on topics from biomedical spectroscopy to advanced microscopy. The conference is supported by the Royal Microscopy Society and selected papers will appear in the Journal of Microscopy. For further details and registration please visit www.nbipireland.ie/biopic.