Each year the International Papillomavirus Society (IPVS) organizes the International Papillomavirus Conference & Basic, Clinical and Public Health Scientific Workshops (IPVC). This event brings together all clinical and public health research professionals concerned with human and animal papillomaviruses and their associated diseases for several days of presentations, discussions and networking. IPVC 2023 was hosted at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC, with the theme of “Coming Together for HPV Elimination.”

**DC Difference:**
IPVS Leadership and IPVC delegates alike loved being in DC. DC’s location offered ease of access for international participation—attendees came from over 105 countries, up from 80 during the virtual IPVC hosted in 2022. Additionally, the convention center was an outstanding venue—the space’s natural light, beautiful art and flexibility of design, along with informal connection spaces, offered the perfect space for their

**BY THE NUMBERS**

1,782 attendees

105 countries

$2 million direct estimated economic impact on DC
important event. Attendees also felt very safe walking around Downtown DC and loved the diverse selection and quality of nearby restaurants, especially the Ciel Social Club, which hosted IPVC’s Early Career Researcher reception.

**Connect Capital:**
In addition to an excellent venue, dining options and ease of international accessibility, DC’s strong academic and professional community helped to provide an incredible program for IPVC. Between the nearby National Institute of Health and Food and Drug Administration and DMV’s growing status as a biotech hub with a strong vaccine development ecosystem, IPVC was able to secure more than 90 speakers to share knowledge and present new science—including the First Lady of the United States, Dr. Jill Biden!

Additionally, IPVC 2023 attracted a record number of young/early career delegates due to DC’s strong local academic community—over 40% of total attendance were early career delegates!

“A highlight of the conference was having Dr. Jill Biden welcome our delegation. It was clear that DC’s intellectual capital and access to medical leaders at this conference helped our objective of translating research, new discoveries and education into clinical practice and public health to eliminate HPV and related diseases globally.”

—Yariv Gal-Yam, Director, Client Accounts, Kenes Group, 35th International Papillomavirus Conference & Basic Science, Clinical and Public Health Workshops