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## **Press Release:**

### **10th European Congress of Colposcopy in Riga, Latvia**

For 25 years, the European Federation for Colposcopy (EFC) has been at the forefront of improving colposcopy standards and advocating for equal cervical cancer prevention for women across Europe. Although Latvia remains one of the countries with the highest incidence of cervical cancer in Europe, close collaboration with the EFC has led to significant improvements. This includes the development of colposcopy services and the implementation of the colposcopy certification method, which is a crucial step in cancer prevention.

The European Federation for Colposcopy, which brings together 38 national colposcopy societies, actively influences and represents colposcopists across Europe, emphasizing education, training, and evidence-based practices. This year's congress, taking place in Riga, Latvia, from September 18-21, 2024, at the Radisson Blu Latvija Hotel, is a landmark event. Organized in collaboration with the Latvian Association of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, the congress aims to address key issues in the prevention of cervical and other HPV-related cancers. The congress president is Associate Professor Jana Žodžika, Head of the Gynecology Clinic at Riga East Clinical University Hospital and an associate professor at Riga Stradins University.

The virtual congress program will feature speakers from over 40 countries, including leading experts from Latvia. The diverse agenda will cover critical topics such as HPV vaccination, cervical cancer screening, the diagnosis and treatment of precancerous cervical changes, and the role of colposcopy in cervical cancer prevention. We are confident that the congress will enhance specialists' knowledge and experience in cervical cancer prevention and contribute to the shared goal of eliminating cervical cancer in Latvia and across Europe.

For further information, please visit the congress website: [congress2024.efcolposcopy.eu](https://congress2024.efcolposcopy.eu)

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