9:00 REGISTRATION

9:30 Welcome addresses
   Giovanna Melandri President, MAXXI Museo Nazionale delle Arti del XXI Secolo
   Antonino Cattaneo President, EBRI 'Rita Levi-Montalcini'

9:45 RITA LEVI-MONTALCINI LECTURE
   David Julius University of California San Francisco, USA
   Gut Feelings: probing mechanisms of visceral pain

10:35 COFFEE BREAK

11:00 Bailong Xiao Tsinghua University, China
   Feeling Force with PIEZOs

11:30 Vera Moiseenkov-Bell University of Pennsylvania, USA
   TRPV Channels Gating by Endogenous and Exogenous Modulators

12:00 Gary Lewin Max Delbruck Center for Molecular Medicine, Berlin
   Molecular tethers and novel ion channels required for touch

12:30 Mathew Diamond Scuola Internazionale Superiore di Studi Avanzati, Trieste
   How touch is processed to support multiple percepts
   BREAK

14:30 Paul Heppenstall Scuola Internazionale Superiore di Studi Avanzati, Trieste
   Developing tools to target Primary Afferent Subtypes

15:00 Silvia Marinelli EBRI 'Rita Levi-Montalcini', Rome
   TRPV1 and NGF signals in the brain

15:30 Moses Chao New York University, USA
   Independence of neurons for trophic factors

16:00 Simona Capsoni Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa
   Genetic painlessness diseases: lessons from the NGF-TrkA system

16:30 Fabrizio Benedetti University of Turin Medical School; Medicine and Physiology of Hypoxia, Plateau Rosà, Italy/Switzerland
   Relieving pain with words and drugs: a common mechanism of action

17:00 Concluding remarks
   Enrico Cherubini Scientific Director, EBRI 'Rita Levi-Montalcini', Rome