

**4<sup>th</sup> Academy Meeting of National Brain Councils**  
**17th – 18th April 2018**  
**Champalimaud Foundation, Avenida Brasília, Lisbon**

***In partnership with the European Federation of Neurological Associations (EFNA)***

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April-----

Morning: arrival to Lisbon

13.00 Informal welcome lunch in the Champalimaud Foundation

14.00 – 17.30 **NBCs Academy 1st session**

14.00 Welcome

**António Freire, Portuguese Brain Council**

Setting the scene and progress update, including European Brain Research Area project application and EU Framework Programmes

**Frédéric Destrebecq, EBC Executive Director**

14.30 National Brain Plans – case study based on the Norwegian Brain Plan launched in December 2017 and update from Poland

**Anette Storstein and Aud Kvalbein, Norwegian Brain Council**

**Iza Czarnecka – Walicka, Polish Brain Council**

15.00 Questionnaire on the state of national brain health care

**Roland Pochet, Belgian Brain Council**

15.20 Coffee break

15.50 Value of Treatment – general update, dissemination and future plans

**Patrice Boyer, European Brain Council**

16.40 Discussion - proposed topics include:

- elections of NBC delegates to the EBC Board
- progress updates from NBCs
- possibility of organizing regional NBCs meetings (e.g. Nordic region)

17.30 Shuttle to the hotel (Holiday Inn Lisbon Continental, R. Laura Alves 9)

19.30 Joint dinner with EFNA, with participation of **Minister for Science, Technology and Higher Education, Manuel Heitor** (A Casa do Bacalhau, Rua do Grilo 54; shuttle service will be provided)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April

9.00 Shuttles depart hotel

9.30 **EFNA/EBC Joint Session: The Future of Health Technology Assessment in Europe**  
Moderated by: **John Bowis, former MEP, former UK Health Minister and EBC Honorary Member**

Opening remarks: **Alexandre Quintanilha, President of the Portuguese Parliamentary Commission for Education and Science; Maria do Céu Machado, Ministry of Health**

**Value of Treatment for Brain Disorders**

Question: How do we foster a new paradigm in value based, innovative patient centred healthcare?

**Patrice Boyer, Vice – President, EBC**

Followed by views from:

- The European Policy-Maker  
**Flora Giorgio, Head of Sector Health Technology Assessment, European Commission**
- The Industry  
**Nuno Silverio, Director of Market Access & Governmental Affairs, Merck**
- The Patient  
**Donna Walsh, Executive Director, European Federation of Neurological Associations**
- The National Regulator  
**Maria do Céu Machado, President, INFARMED - National Authority of Medicines and Health Products**

11.20– 11.40 Coffee break

11.40 – 12.30 Discussion: Recommendations and Conclusions  
How do we ensure HTA reflects the real value of treatment for brain disorders?

12.30 Tour of the Champalimaud Foundation, followed by lunch and departure