Session 1: 30 September, 12:00-14:00 CET

The Potentials of Increased Collaboration in Science: examples from the brain community

Intro & Moderation by Prof Monica Di Luca, President (EBC)

Africa

Prof Amadi O. Ihunwo, Secretary General/CEO, Society of Neuroscientists of Africa (SONA) **Prof Foad Abd-Allah**, Vice-President (North Africa), African Academy of Neurology

Asia

Mr. Linhao Chen, Deputy Director General, Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Science and Technology

Mr. Quan Zhang, Director of the Science and Technology Commission of Shanghai Municipality

Australia

Professor Linda J. Richards, Head, Brain development and disorders laboratory, Queensland Brain Institute; Co-Chair, Australian Brain Alliance and Spokesperson, International Brain Initiative

European Union

Mr Carlos Morais Pires, Cabinet Member, Cabinet of Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth

Prof Carmen Sandi, Past-President, Federation of European Neuroscience Societies **The European Brain Research Area and a Shared Agenda for Brain Research**

North America

Dr Walter J. Koroshetz, Director, US National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke **Prof Barry Everitt**, President, Society for Neuroscience (SfN)

International

Dr Caroline Montojo, Director, Brain Initiatives, The Kavli Foundation and Spokesperson, International Brain Initiative

The global vision and perspective for brain research

Prof. Tracy Bale, President, IBRO

Supporting scientific research through science academies around the world: success stories, regional challenges and opportunities

Prof. Mohamed Hassan, President, World Academy of Sciences

Panel Discussion and Q&A (Live)

Prof Monica Di Luca, President, EBC

Dr Tomás Ryan, Chair, FENS-Kavli Network

Prof Mu-ming Poo, Founding Director, Institute of Neuroscience (ION) of the Chinese Academy of Sciences

Session 2: 30 September, 14:00-16:00 CET

Do the SDGs address the global burden of disease? A focus on regional health and research policies

Moderated by Frédéric Destrebecq, Executive Director, EBC

INTRODUCTION: ACKNOWLEDGE UN ADDITION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS TO LIST OF PRIORITY NCDS Joke Jaarsma, President, EFNA & Treasurer, EBC

PRESENTATION ON GLOBAL BURDEN OF DISEASE - FOCUS ON NEUROLOGY (BRAIN)

Prof. Valery L Feigin, National Institute for Stroke and Applied Neurosciences, Faculty of Health and Environmental Sciences, Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, New Zealand

CALL FOR MORE HIGH-LEVEL STRATEGIC LINKAGES BETWEEN WORK ON NCDS, SDGS, UHC

Tarun Dua, Medical Officer, Program for Neurological Diseases and Neuroscience, Management of Mental and Brain Disorders in the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse

EPILEPSY AS A CASE STUDY: THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACTION AT THE GLOBAL LEVELDr Samuel Wiebe, President, International League Against Epilepsy; Director, Clinical Research Unit Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary

EU Perspective – How Horizon Europe and its programmes respond to the SDGs

DISCUSSION WITH SPEAKERS AND Q&A

CLOSING STATEMENT, Frédéric Destrebecq

CALL TO ACTION TO UN MEMBER STATES TO IMPLEMENT THESE HIGH-LEVEL PRIORITIES ON THE GROUND.