



# Brain Innovation Days

12-13 October 2021  
Brussels, Belgium

United for Brain Innovation

The **Brain Innovation Days** were launched virtually in October 2020, kicking off **one full year of a packed brain innovation agenda** leading up to the Brussels on-site event on 12-13 October 2021.

**179 million Europeans** are currently living with brain disorders, and this is to steadily increase as the population ages. Though one in three Europeans are set to live with a brain disease at some point of their life – neurological and mental alike – brain treatments remain insufficient and research is disproportionately underfunded compared to other disease areas.

At the same time, we have inspiring innovators in the brain space paving their way to building solutions for patients with brain disorders. In order to connect all parties involved, enhanced multi-stakeholder engagement in the brain ecosystem is needed to foster dialogue, exchange knowledge, accelerate investment in research and innovation, facilitate business development and showcase on-going work.

This is what the Brain Innovation Days are about: a **platform** bringing together science and society and an **annual event** where leaders in the brain ecosystem, researchers, industry, start-ups, innovators, policymakers, investors, health care professionals and patients are invited to discover the potential for innovation and build strong matchmaking opportunities.

## The Brain Innovation Days journey



Virtual launch event, exploring how brain innovation is changing Europe



A series of digital sessions throughout 2020-2021, including “My Start-up in 180 seconds” Pitch Competition with two awards for the ‘Best Pitch’



Prominent, cutting-edge speakers in their fields



Online content streams with regular updates on the latest in brain innovation, including the [Brain Talks podcast series](#) available through all major podcast platforms



Connecting the brain community through matchmaking and networking opportunities

## Join us in October for:



The first-ever **European Brain Summit**, a high-level, policy-focused Plenary Session co-organised by the [European Brain Council](#) and [EBRAINS](#)



Showcasing the latest breakthroughs in the brain innovation space



High-level, policy-driven discussion with key players in the EU



Stimulating and inspirational presentations from across the community



A demonstration of state-of-the-art innovations from start-ups and industry



Networking and potential matchmaking with like-minded stakeholders