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EBC Activities



Creating synergies and showcasing innovation: Brain Innovation Days 2021

After over 18 months of planning and three digital events, the [Brain Innovation Days](#), were held physically on **12-13 October 2021** in Brussels at [AREA 42](#).

The full report is now available and additional content will be released soon! Take a look to discover the topics discussed and the outcome of the event:

[Read the report](#)



Making brain health a priority in Europe: 1st European Brain Summit

On **12 October**, representatives of the highest levels of research policy and brain science met in Brussels for the first **European Brain Summit**, organised by the European Brain Council (EBC) and EBRAINS, in conjunction with the Brain Innovation Days and Human Brain Project Summit.

[Read the report](#)



Registration is now open for the event on “Best practices for patient safety: An EU-wide view on the use of medicines off-label”

The European Brain Council is pleased to invite you to register for the digital event “**Best practices for patient safety: An EU-wide view on the use of medicines off-label**” to be held virtually on **30 November 2021 at 14:30 – 16:00 CET**.

[More information & registration](#)



First BRAINFOOD cluster activity held in Brussels

EBRA's BRAINFOOD cluster held its first 2-day workshop in Brussels on 18-19 October.

On Day One, cluster coordinators presented the latest in the BRAINFOOD field from different perspectives. During the second day, the coordinators organised a series of discussions around topics such as "evaluating ways to improve dietary choices: a health economics perspective" and "effects of nutritional interventions to support brain health: the industry perspective".

[Discover more about the cluster](#)



EBRA presented at the EMEAC Digital Day

Prof Monica Di Luca, President of the European Brain Council, and Michele Simonato, member of the EBRA cluster, EPICLUSTER, presented the goals and the activities of EBRA to the audience of the EMEAC Digital Day organised by the International Federation of Clinical Neurophysiology.

[Discover EBRA](#)



EBC and EBRA at the 34th ECNP Congress

The European Brain Council showcased its current projects during the **ECNP Congress**, held in Lisbon and online on 2-5 October.

In the context of the event, EBRA was highlighted with a poster on-site available for all the attendees.

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EBC raised awareness on World Mental Health Day

EBC was happy to support and recognise **World Mental Health Day**, which took place on 10 October. The overall objective of World Mental Health Day is to raise awareness of mental health issues around the world and to mobilise efforts in support of mental health. This year's theme was 'Mental Health in an Unequal World'.

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Rethinking MS exhibition at the Brain Innovation Days

The participants of the Brain Innovation Days and the European Brain Summit had the opportunity to explore a selection of the Virtual Exhibition, Living with MS during COVID-19: A case for rethinking MS care in the EU, in person, with a selection of posters printed and on display in the venue's Quiet Zone.

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EBC Members



Call for best practices by MEP Interest Group on Brain, Mind and Pain

28 April – 2 May 2022

Hybrid event in **Glasgow**, UK and virtual.

Provides an opportunity to learn about the latest developments in the rapidly evolving field of child neurology, including basic science, diagnostic methods, and novel treatments. Network with colleagues and partners all focused on delivering the best possible care for children with neurological disorders.

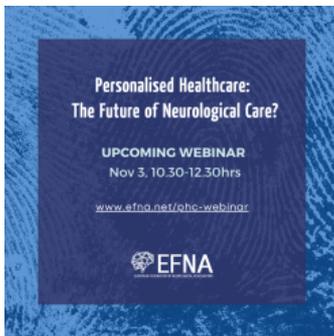
Preliminary Programme: <https://bit.ly/3moDORq>

Registration: opens in November 2021

Minimising the environmental impact. With an ambition to contribute towards a safe and healthy environment, the EPNS Congress supports the sustainability statement of the congress venue, Scottish Event Campus (SEC) location of the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) taking place on 1 – 12 November 2021.

The EPNS looks forward to welcoming you to our Congress!

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Personalised Healthcare: The Future of Neurological Care? - November 3rd, 10.30 to 12.30hrs CET

This virtual event, hosted by the European Federation of Neurological Associations (EFNA), will introduce the concept of personalised healthcare/precision medicine in neurology – with a focus on identifying key themes for those living with neurological disorders and their representatives in the years to come. Leading experts and key stakeholders will share their views, with time for audience contributions and questions.

[Agenda and registration](#)



Attend the upcoming conference of the MEP Interest Group on Brain, Mind and Pain

'Turning principles into action: best practice in reducing health inequalities'
NOVEMBER 19TH, 2021. 10.00 – 13.00hrs, VIRTUAL EVENT

The annual conference of the MEP Interest Group on Brain, Mind and Pain will explore best practices in reducing health inequalities for those living with neurological disorders and chronic pain conditions. High level stakeholders will discuss how we can advance meaningful policies and interventions to address the drivers of this health inequity, before we take a practical look at examples of best practice that can be scaled up and applied to these disease areas.

Come along to learn more and have your say on how the Interest Group can tackle these challenges in 2022 and beyond!

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Survey: Are mental health needs being met by services?, Quality of Life project & Suicide Awareness in Young Men

After the successful outcome of its first COVID Survey, GAMIAN-Europe has launched a second [survey on the impact of COVID-19](#). This survey, developed in collaboration with the European Psychiatric Association, aims to explore the impact of the pandemic on mental health care and services, from the patient and clinician's perspective. It is currently available in 5 European languages (more to come shortly).

For World Mental Health Day, GAMIAN-Europe has released a booklet entitled '[Top tips for finding and achieving quality of life beyond a mental health condition](#)'. This guide was co-created with patients and includes different tips for improving quality of life. We also launched a series of blogs and a [video](#), with testimonials of individuals about their journeys and personal tips for other patients. More information can be found on our website!

Suicide is commonly described as a 'male phenomenon', as men are 4 to 5 times more likely to die by suicide compared to women, in the European Union. For this reason, GAMIAN-Europe has decided to develop a project on this topic, together with the Euro Youth for Mental Health. This project aims to explore and raise awareness of the mental health challenges faced by young males during the pandemic and the causes behind a potential increase in suicide ideation amongst this population group. ...Stay tuned for more updates!

[Read more](#)



Discover the Preliminary Programme!

The preliminary programme for the FENS Forum 2022 is now online!

With a full programme of lectures, parallel symposia, workshops, special interest events and posters, the FENS Forum will bring together experts covering all domains of neuroscience, from basic to translational research.

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For your Agenda

3 November 2021 - Personalised Healthcare: The Future of Neurological Care?, Virtual

10-12 November 2021 - 14th European Public Health Conference, Virtual

15-17 November 2021 - 17th Conference on Computational Intelligence Methods for Bioinformatics and Biostatistics, Virtual

17-18 November 2021 - Digital Health Society Summit, Virtual

19 November 2021 - Turning principles into action: best practice in reducing health inequalities, Virtual

25-26 November 2021 – EPNS Research Meeting, Virtual

30 November 2021 - Best practices for patient safety: An EU-wide view on the use of medicines off-label, Virtual

7 December 2021 - Encephalitis Conference 2021, Royal College of Physicians, London (UK) & Virtual

10 December 2021 - FENS Friday EBRA webinar, Virtual

2-5 April 2022 - 30th European Congress of Psychiatry, Budapest (Hungary)

28 April-2 May 2022 - 14th European Paediatric Neurology Society Congress, Glasgow (UK)

9-13 July 2022 – FENS Forum, Paris (France)

4-8 September 2022 – 32nd International Congress of Clinical Neurophysiology, Geneva (Switzerland)

27-30 September 2022 – 26th Congress of the European Sleep Research Society, Athens (Greece)

15-18 October 2022 – 35th ECNP Congress, Vienna (Austria) & Virtual



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