

# European Brain Council

## Newsletter - February 2022



### EBC Activities



#### New EBC Executive mandate fully underway

It has already been two months since the **new EBC Executive** began its mandate on 1 January 2022. After a handover meeting with the previous ExCo, the new members are building on the vast amount of activities currently underway and working to continuously bring EBC forward.

The first Board Meeting of the year took place on 23 February 2022, where delegates from EBC's member organisations and industry partners discussed the ongoing activities of the organisation and plans for the year ahead.

Additionally, the newly elected members of the Executive had the pleasure to meet with the leadership of the Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE) as well as the Directorate-General for Research and Innovation (DG RTD).

[Read more about the EBC Executive](#)



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#### EBRA releases Mapping Report: investment in European brain research still vital

The EU-funded European Brain Research Area project released its long-awaited **European Research Inventory and Mapping Report**, providing insight into the brain research activities funded at the European level within the EU framework programmes FP7 and Horizon 2020, as well as the funding initiatives of the EU Joint Programme – Neurodegenerative Disease Research (JPND), ERA-NET NEURON and the Human Brain Project.

The mapping report provides an overview of the current state of brain research in Europe and which areas within brain research, if any, are the focus in Europe. It evidences that despite steadily increasing support, funding is still lacking in all areas of brain research in the EU and more focus is particularly needed on the importance of animal models, increasing public patient engagement and encouraging and enabling data sharing.

[Read more](#)



## Discover the latest advances in the brain space through the Brain Innovation Days

The Brain Innovation Days bring the brain ecosystem together to foster dialogue, exchange knowledge, accelerate investment in research & innovation, facilitate business development and showcase the ongoing work.

The last decades have seen great advances, giving the prospect of a better life to those living with brain and mental diseases. Discover some of these milestones with us in the newly launched **brain innovation timeline** on the Brain Innovation Days website, which will be updated regularly leading up to Brain Awareness Week.

Furthermore, if you haven't already explored the **innovation corner** on the website, you'll find the Brain Talks podcast series, videos, articles, job opportunities in the brain area and much more.

[Visit the Brain Innovation Days website](#)

## EBC Members



### Registration is open for the 11th EANS Annual Young Neurosurgeons' Meeting and Research Course

Registration is now open for the **11th EANS Annual Young Neurosurgeons' Meeting and Research Course** which will take place from 7 - 9 April 2022 in Florence, Italy. The Research Course is a one-day course for neurosurgeons interested to start a research project. Research is key for future development of neurosurgery and medicine in general. The EANS Young Neurosurgeons' Meeting is an excellent opportunity for neurosurgeons in the years between qualification and consultancy and is of particular interest to those who have completed the EANS Training Courses.

[Learn more and register here](#)



### Apply now to the EFNA Advocacy Awards 2022 – 'Advocating for Gender Equity in Neurology'

The European Federation of Neurological Associations (EFNA) has launched a call for applications to the **2022 EFNA Advocacy Awards**. This year, the awards focus on the topic of 'Advocating for Gender Equity in Neurology'.

One organisation and one individual advocate whose work has raised awareness of the difference in impact of neurological disorders on women and men, or has addressed identified challenges, will be recognised.

Award winners will each be invited to present their work during EFNA's General Assembly in Brussels on May 10th, where they will be presented with a beautiful crystal trophy during a celebratory dinner. They will receive 1 night's accommodation and reimbursement of travel costs (up to €250 p/p) for themselves and a guest.

[Read more](#)



## 35th ECNP Congress 2022

### Call for abstracts

Share your research with Europe's largest audience in applied and translational research!

Abstract submission for the [35th ECNP Congress, 15-18 October 2022 in Vienna, Austria](#) is open. Find all details, including video's to help you write the perfect abstract [here](#).

[Submit abstract!](#)

### Registration is open

We are excited that the [registration](#) for the 35th ECNP Congress is now open.

Almost all presentations are livestreamed to the online congress platform. Don't forget to check the special fees for ECNP Members, Early Career Scientists and CDE residents.

[Register here!](#)

[Read more](#)



## Brain Conference: Genetics and mechanisms of complex disorders: highlighting migraine

Early registration for the Brain Conference **“Genetics and mechanisms of complex disorders: highlighting migraine”** closes on 10 March 2022!

Take advantage of early registration rates and join co-chairs and Brain Prize 2021 winners Peter Goadsby and Jes Olesen, on 26-29 June 2022 in Rungstedgaard, Denmark, to discover the latest advances on how migraine may inform the investigation of other complex disorders.

And while you're planning your agenda, don't forget to register for the [FENS Forum 2022](#), taking place on 9-13 July 2022 in Paris, France.

[Read more](#)

**ARE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS BEING MET BY SERVICES?**

**PERSPECTIVES OF PATIENTS AND CLINICIANS**

**TAKE OUR SURVEY NOW!**



## COVID-19 Survey II

What are the challenges encountered by patients who access mental health services and the professionals who provide these services?

**GAMIAN-Europe's new survey**, developed in collaboration with the [European Psychiatric Association](#), seeks to explore the impact of COVID-19 on mental health care and services, from the patient and the clinician's points of view.

The survey report will serve to advocate for national-level change, as well as raise awareness of the importance of EU level action on mental health. The survey is available in 11 European languages!

Deadline: March 15th.

[Complete the survey](#)



## Suicide Prevention in Young Men

Suicide is described as a 'male phenomenon', as men are 4 to 5 times more likely to die by suicide compared to women, in the EU.

This project, developed in collaboration with [Euro Youth Mental Health](#), aims to raise awareness of the mental health challenges faced by young males who have experienced suicidal ideation. Together with young men from across Europe we will co-create resources to launch on **World Suicide Prevention Day** on September 10th.

Join us for [two workshops](#) to share your experience and express your needs and opinions.

Apply before March 8th

## EBC Members & Industry Partners

The European Brain Council is a network of key players in the "Brain Area", with a membership encompassing scientific societies, patient organisations, professional societies and industry partners.

Find out the latest from our [Members](#) and [Industry Partners](#)!

## For your Agenda

4 March 2022 - [From Words to Action: Addressing Obesity Together](#), Virtual

7–9 March 2022 - [2nd Expert Summit on the Future of Deep Brain Stimulation](#), Würzburg (Germany)

11 March 2022 - [Shining a Spotlight on Life After Stroke](#), Virtual

20-21 March 2022 - [ECNP New Frontiers in Digital Health Meeting](#), Nice (France)

22 March 2022 - [Preventing Medication Errors to Protect Patient Safety](#), Virtual

24-25 March 2022 - [Acute Paediatric Neurological Diseases course](#), Virtual

30-31 March 2022 - [Immune Mediated Diseases and Infections course](#), Virtual

31 March 2022 - [STAT Breakthrough Science Summit 2022](#), New York City (USA) & Virtual

30 March - 1 April 2022 - [8th International Conference on Neurology and Epidemiology](#), Virtual

1 April 2022 - [I3h Institute Annual Lecture "Science Communication, Health Literacy and Public Confidence"](#), Virtual

3-6 April 2022 - [The Brain Conference: Establishment and Maintenance of Brain Cell States](#), Rungstedgaard (Denmark)

7-9 April 2022 - [11th EANS Annual Young Neurosurgeons' Meeting and Research Course](#), Florence (Italy)

20-21 April 2022 - [XVI European Patients' Rights Day](#), Virtual

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

29 April 2022 - [EBC Session "How can EBC promote child neurology in Europe?"](#), EPNS Congress, Glasgow (UK)

4-6 May 2022 – [8th Annual European Stroke Organisation Conference](#), Lyon (France)

4-7 June 2022 - [30th European Congress of Psychiatry](#), Budapest (Hungary) & Virtual

25-28 June 2022 – [8th Congress of the European Academy of Neurology](#), Vienna (Austria)

26-29 June 2022 - [The Brain Conference: Genetics and mechanisms of complex disorders: highlighting migraine](#), Rungstedgaard (Denmark)

30 June - 3 July 2022 - [NEURO 2022](#), Okinawa (Japan) & Virtual

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

11 July 2022 - [The European Brain Research area: Building a Brain Health Partnership](#), Special Interest Session, FENS Forum, Paris (France)

12 July 2022 - [Brain capital and the young generation](#), Special Interest Session, 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

18-19 October 2022 - [Brain Health Nexus: Galvanizing the brain health ecosystem](#), Washington D.C. (USA)

9-13 September 2023 - [11th IBRO World Congress of Neuroscience](#), Granada (Spain)

7-10 October 2023 - [36th ECNP Congress](#), Barcelona (Spain)



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