

The Program Committee is now soliciting proposals for symposia and satellites for the 2016 Annual meeting of the International Behavioral Neuroscience Society (IBNS) in Budapest Hungary on June 7-12 at the Kempinski Hotel (<a href="http://www.kempinski.com">http://www.kempinski.com</a>).

The deadline for priority consideration of symposium proposals is September 30, 2015.

Program highlights include:

**Presidential Lecture:** Urs Meyer, Ph.D., Institute of Pharmacology and Toxicology University of Zurich – Vetsuisse. *Developmental Neuroinflammation and Long-Term Brain Pathology: From Models and Mechanisms to Transgenerational Effects*.

**Bench to Bedside Speaker:** Klaus-Peter Lesch, Ph.D., Division of Molecular Psychiatry (MP), Department of Psychiatry, Psychosomatics and Psychotherapy, University of Wuerzburg. *Translating genetics findings into neurobiologic mechanisms for ADHD through animal models*.

**Keynote Speaker:** Yasmin Hurd, Ph.D., Mount Sinai Hospital. *High Times for Cannabis: Epigenetic Imprint and its Legacy on Brain and Behavior.* 

**Keynote Speaker:** Henriette van Praag, Ph.D., National Institutes on Aging, National Institutes of Health. *Regulation and function of adult hippocampal neurogenesis: the role of exercise.* 

A typical symposium includes four (4) speakers and is scheduled for two (2) hours. The time and date of symposia are set by the Program Committee.

IMPORTANT: Early career trainees (postdoctoral fellows/graduate students) are encouraged to submit symposia proposals together with senior investigators, to gain experience in organizing and co-chairing sessions as well as present their work alongside senior researchers in their field; a suggested format would be to include 3 PIs and 1 trainee in the panel. As well, we welcome proposals using innovative formats (debate style, hands-on demonstration or workshop), for which two (2) hour slots will also be available.

All symposia proposals should include: title, name of the chairperson(s), a substantive but succinct description of the topic and proposed talks, list of speakers with affiliations and email address, and tentative talk titles. IBNS does not provide financial support to symposia speakers or organizers. Each organizer and speaker is expected to cover their own fees including registration and abstract submission. Satellites are structured and financed by the organizers.

Satellite meetings may be held either prior to or after the IBNS meeting dates. Satellite proposals should also include the anticipated location and plans for financing. All proposals will be reviewed by the Program Committee and then submitted to the IBNS Council for consideration.

The deadline for priority consideration of symposium proposals is September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015. To submit your proposal, please use the 2016 IBNS Symposia/Satellite Proposal Form or the IBNS website at <a href="https://www.ibnsconnect.org">www.ibnsconnect.org</a>.

More information about the meeting and location will soon be posted on the IBNS website, so please check it regularly for updates. As always, thank you for your support of and participation in IBNS!