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1. BBC Symposium registrations are now open!

BELGIAN BRAIN COUNCIL
SYMPOSIUM
14 & 15 MAY

ARE DATA THE FUTURE
FOR A BETTER BRAIN AND
MENTAL HEALTH ?

EU Recognised
Data Altruism
Organisation

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The symposium will take place on **May 14 and 15, 2024 at the University Foundation**, rue d'Egmont 11, 1000 Brussels. The theme of the symposium is "Are data the future for a better brain and mental health?"

- The symposium will take place in a hybrid format
- Places at the Fondation Universitaires are limited
- EN & NL & FR – translations are provided for some sessions
- To register, please fill in the form below:

[REGISTRATION FORM](#)

2. Update of the BBC's Articles of Association

At its Extraordinary General Meeting on 23 January, the BBC voted unanimously in favour of the new Articles of Association.

As soon as they are published in the Moniteur, they will be available on our website

3. Brain Awareness Week - 11 to 17 march 2024

As every year, the BBC is celebrating and joining forces with Brain Awareness Week. As a reminder, the BBC supports our members' events up to a maximum of €1,000 per project.



Leuven Brain Institute is organizing a number of activities as part of Brain Awareness Week on March 16 between 10am and 4pm. **Register now**

On Tuesday 12 March 2024, **Mrs Mormal, from the Association des aidants proches**, is organising a conference on **stress and burn-out** at the Château du Karreveld, given by **psychiatrist Dr Philippe Corten**.

Conférence
STRESS, ANXIÉTÉ, BURN-OUT, DÉPRESSION ... MAL DU SIÈCLE ?
STRESS, ANGST, BURN-OUT, DEPRESSIE... DE ZIEKTE VAN DE EEUW?
 Avec Dr Philippe Corten, neuropsychiatre, professeur émérite de l'ULB en Psychopathologie du travail et fondateur de la Clinique du Stress au CHU Brugmann
mardi | dinsdag
12.03.2024 - 19:00
 CHÂTEAU DU KARREVELD Petite restauration sur place **ENTRÉE GRATUITE**
 Avenue Jean de la Hoese 3
 1080 Molenbeek **RESERVATIONS : 02 432 90 81**
 Tram 82 - Bus 20, 49, 53 **www.molenbeek.be**
 CONFÉRENTIE: Met Dr Philippe Corten, neuropsychiatre, emeritus hoogleraar psychopathologie van de UCL en lid van de Raad van de Streeklid van het CHU Brugmann.
 GASTVOLDING: Wijziging en distributie gratis.
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Vous êtes-vous déjà demandé ce qui se passe dans votre cerveau lorsque vous buvez de l'alcool ?
qui vous fait vous sentir si...
 Notre expert **Dr. Campanella** s'est posé la question et l'a étudiée pendant des années. Et il nous racontera tout cela... le 13 mars à 15h00 !
Venez (à temps) et prenez une boisson gratuite ☺
@ La Turbean!
 Cet événement est organisé par l'Institut des neurosciences de l'ULB (IN) dans le cadre de la semaine de sensibilisation au cerveau et parrainé par le Belgian Brain Council.

The Neuroscience Institute of the **Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB)** is organizing a conference on March 13 at 3pm. This event is organized as part of Brain Awareness Week and sponsored by the Belgian Brain Council.



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01 Lecture-concert "Cerveau musicien" | Wolubilis

- A show by Isabelle Dumont and Jean-Luc Fatchamps
- Reception and bar from 6.15pm – show at 7pm
- The show will be followed by a discussion moderated by Anne-Sophie Leurquin (journalist at Le Soir) with the artists and neuroscientist Marc Crommelinck (Institute of Neuroscience (IoNS)).
- Free, by reservation [register here](#)

March 11 at 7pm

02 Lunch Talk | Auditoire Joseph Maisin (campus de Woluwe)

- Lunch Talk by Sylvie Nozaradan (IoNS) "Neurons to the rhythm of music" from 12.30 to 1.30 pm
- Sandwiches provided for all participants
- Free, by reservation [register here](#)

March 12 at 12.30pm

03 Movie projection "Vice Versa" (campus de Woluwe)

- Organised by Arte-Fac and Moovi'kot
- Reception from 7pm
- Popcorn provided for all participants
- Free

March 12 at 7.30pm

04 Laboratory visits | Institute of Neuroscience (Woluwe)

- Go behind the scenes in the laboratories of the Institute of Neuroscience (IoNS)
- For more information, send an e-mail to: cai-ions@uclouvain.be

March 13 at 1pm

05 Phil'Alma debate | Auditoire Joseph Maisin (Woluwe)

- Debate on the theme "What is the balance of creativity?"
- Presented by the Phil'Alma reading circle
- Drinks from 6pm in front of the auditorium

March 13 at 6pm

06 Creative workshop "Learning to draw your emotions"

- Workshop given by Gil, art teacher for over 20 years, musician and music lover
- On the Woluwe campus, exact location to be specified
- Free, by reservation [register here](#)

March 14 at 6.30pm

4. News from our members and partners

Two industrial partners are joining us:



Bayer Pharma Benelux Team

Like everyone else, we know what it's like to be ill or to care for an ill family member. We fully understand the extent to which this can have an impact on the lives of patients and their families.

Patients rely on us for **medical innovation**. A human approach and close cooperation with our partners are essential. Because we care.

We're always looking to go further: we want to help people stay healthy, ensure that patients benefit from the best possible solutions and even offer early access to these solutions so that no patient is left behind.

Why? Simply because we care

Boehringer Ingelheim has been transforming lives in healthcare since 1885.

Our 53,000 employees in 130 markets create value through innovation by infusing long-term, **sustainable thinking** into our Human Pharmaceuticals and Animal Health businesses.



**Boehringer
Ingelheim**

The company is redefining mental health to enable people to thrive. **Our ambition is to better understand the drivers of chronic and complex mental illnesses**, such as cognitive disorders associated with schizophrenia, bipolar disease and depression, by targeting the underlying neurobiology behind specific symptoms.

With a precision psychiatry approach and a rich pipeline, we are committed to transforming the mental health landscape.



The League, in collaboration with the European Health Authority (EHA) and the Spanish and Bulgarian Leagues, will be launching a transnational Erasmus+ project. The aim is to develop the "HD-Academy" e-learning platform to promote the training of formal and informal carers. The project will run for 18 months, ending in June 2025.

L'association DMLA took part in the Stakeholders Forum in March



[Click on the following link](#) for a list of **Action Parkinson's** activities.



CENTER FOR COGNITIVE NEUROSCIENCE

From May 22 to 25, 2024, the **Center for Cognitive Neuroscience (CNN)** is organizing the "7th bi-annual ESCAN meeting". To find out more, [click on the following link](#)

Leuven Brain Institute offers a series of activities: in February and March, 3 book readings, including on March 13 a commentary on Mathieu Vandebulke's book: Living together with dementia, and a series of psychology lessons for society. [Find the program of activities here](#)



As it does every year, the **Belgian National Multiple Sclerosis League** is organizing a Gala Concert to be held on March 19, 2024 at BOZAR. The Ensemble Orchestral de Bruxelles and the Chœurs de l'Union européenne will take us to the heart of Italian, French and Austrian lyrical music.

Belgian College of Neuropsychopharmacology & Biological Psychiatry presents its 2024 activities, [click on the following link](#) to find out more information



UNamur is organizing "brain exploration" workshops for secondary 5 and 6 students on Monday, March 18, 2024. [For more information, click here.](#)



Belgian Chapter of the International Association for the Study of Pain (I.A.S.P.)

At its clinically-focused scientific congress on 1er June 2024, the **BPS** will present the BPS award 2024.

Find out more about all the activities organized by **BASS** by clicking on the [following link](#)



The **Royal Society of Mental Medicine of Belgium** is organizing a morning conference on mental health on March 9 at the Clinique Notre-Dame de Grâce in Gosselies. For further information, click on the [following link](#)

Find out more about **NAH Congres** on October 10, 2024 [here](#).



5. Become a BBC member

Would you like to become a BBC-member too ? Don't hesitate to sign up!

To become a member, simply :

- Send an e-mail requesting membership to pochet.roland@ulb.be
- Transfer €30 to the BBC account (**BE87 7512 0194 0094**), mentioning your name and e-mail address.

6. Follow us

Did you know? The Belgian Brain Council is active on many social networks. Follow us to keep up to date with all the latest BBC news!



7. EU4EU programme



BBC acts as a host organization for the EU4EU Programme within its Erasmus+ projects

8. Composition of the Executive Committee for the period 2024-2028

- Chair: Professor Laurence RIS
- Director: Professor Roland Pochet
- Vice-Chairmen: Dr Gianni Franco, Ms Lia Le Roy
- Treasurer: Baron Charles van der Straten-Waillet
- Secretary: Professor Jean Schoenen

9. Dates to remember

Event Programing

01	SRMM conférence Mental health conference at the Clinique Notre-Dame de Grâce in Gosselies.	9 March
02	Brain Awareness Week	11-17 March
03	The Multiple Sclerosis League Concert at BOZAR	19 March
04	BNS Annual meeting in Namur	19 & 20 April
05	NBC 10th NBCs Academy in Pula (Croatia)	8 & 9 May
06	BBC international Symposium Are data the future for a better Brain and Mental Health?	14 & 15 Mayi
07	7th bi-annual ESCAN meeting	22-25 May
08	World Multiple Sclerosis Day	30 May
09	BPS BPS scientific congress and award 2024	1 June