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1. Topics of the Danube Management Committee Meeting (by Professor László Vécsei)

Dear Colleague,

5-6th October, 2016

We would like to invite you to attend the forthcoming Management Committee Meeting to be held during the 48th Danube Symposium for Neurological Sciences and Continuing Education, 5-6, October 2016, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Venue: Povodni moz 3 (next to the main Danube Symposium Room)

Date: October 6th (lunch time) 13.00-14.00

AGENDA (preliminary):

- 1) Introduction (Prof. F. Gerstenbrand, Prof. L. Vecsei)
- 2) Report of the present activities of the International Danube Symposium (Prof. L. Vécsei)
 - 2.1 Danube Neurology Newsletter (No 26) (2016) is posted by e-mail (members of International Danube Neurology Association, participants at former Danube Symposia and at the Danube Clinical Neurology Training Courses)
 - 2.2 Web-site of the DS, with all Danube Newsletters, other important information, e.g.: future meetings, symposia, etc (<http://www.szote.u-szeged.hu/neur/danube>)
- 3) Report of 47th Danube Neurology Symposium by Prof. H.-P. Hartung and Prof. L. Vécsei
- 4) 12th Danube Neurology Teaching Conference (Kazimierz Dolny, 22-24 June, 2016 Poland) (Prof. Z. Stelmasiak and Prof. K. Rejdak)
- 5) Report of the 10th Congress on Controrversies in Neurology (CONy-2016, Lissabon, by Prof. A. Korczyn)
- 6) Report of the 48th Danube Neurology Symposium (Ljubljana, 2016) (Professor Z. Pirtosek)
- 7) Future Meetings, Teaching and Training Courses, Exchange Programmes under the auspices of the International Danube Neurology Association: (Danube Neurology Symposia: 13th Danube Neurology Teaching Conference (Kazimierz Dolny, 2017, Poland) (Prof. Z. Stelmasiak and Prof. K. Rejdak), 2017: 49th Danube Symposium 11-13: May 2017 (Prof. S. Komoly and Prof. L. Vécsei (Pécs), 2018 50th Danube Symposium (Prof. L. Csiba, Prof. L. Vécsei Debrecen), 2019: 51st Danube Symposium (Prof. O. Bajenaru, Bucurest), 2020: 52nd Danube Symposium (open)
- 8) European Board of Neurology Examination (Professor L. Vécsei)
- 9) EAN Dept-Dept. and Educational Grants 2017 (Prof. L. Vécsei)
- 10) Common scientific activities in different fields of neurology (Professor L. Vécsei)
- 11) Harminosation of Ph.D. Programmes in Europe (scientiometric data: impacts, Q-values, citation, Hirsch index (Professor L. Vécsei)
- 12) 11th NMDPD (Ljubljana, October 6-9, 2016), 11th CONY (Athens, March 23-26, 2017) (Prof. A. Korczyn)

- 13) 3rd Congress of European Academy of Neurology (June 24-27, 2017 Amsterdam), (EAN Educational Grants, Clinical Fellowship, Research Fellowship, Spring School, 2017) (Prof. F. Gerstenbrand Prof. L. Vecsei)
- 14) Neurorehabilitation Program in the Danube Countries (Prof. F. Gerstenbrand)
- 15) Finances of the Danube Neurology Symposia, Training and Teaching Courses: 70:30 between the local organizers and the permanent International Danube Neurology Association Secretariat or to transfer the amount of min. EUR 2,500 to the Secretariat
- 6) Discussion of the collaboration with EAN, WFN, EPDA, EBC and other neurological organizations (Prof F. Gerstenbrand)
- 17) Varia and Closing remarks (Prof. F. Gerstenbrand)

Yours sincerely,

László Vécsei
Secretary General

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Head of Office

2. Short summary about the 12th International Danube Teaching Course in Kazimierz, Poland (by Professor Konrad Rejdak)

12th International Danube Teaching Course took place on 22-24 June 2016 in Kazimierz Dolny – historical centre of medieval culture of Poland. The meeting was organised under the auspices of the International Danube Symposium for Continuing Education in Neurological Sciences, Department of Neurology Medical University of Lublin and Lublin Branch of Polish Neurological Society.

The scientific programme focused on the newest aspects of multiple sclerosis, epilepsy, headache and child neurology but also included the special session on neurodegenerative diseases.

The highest educative and scientific level of this conference was guaranteed by the attendance of many internationally recognised experts and scientists from the country and abroad including prof. L. Vecsei, prof. G. Bauer, prof. I. Blatt, prof. D. Jatuzis and others.

There were 6 Danube Lectures: by

1. L. Vécsei (Hungary) – Research activity in the field of Multiple Sclerosis in the Department of Neurology in Szeged.
2. K. Selmaj – Immunologic MS therapy.
3. J. Losy – Treatment of aggressive forms of MS.
4. P. Nowacki – Extra plaque white matter changes in SPMS. Neuropathological aspects .
5. I. Blatt (Israel) – Epilepsy classification in clinical practice.
6. G. Bauer (Austria) – Hypoxic encephalopathies: electroencephalography and treatment.

Moreover the program included 6 scientific sessions: neurorehabilitation (3 lectures), multiple sclerosis (6 lectures), stroke and ultrasound examination (5 lectures), child neurology (3 lectures) and epilepsy (9 lectures). The meeting was very successful with around 350 participants including students and residents who were given a free admission to the scientific part of the meeting.

3. Invitation to the International Congress of the World Association for Stress Related and Anxiety Disorders (WASAD)(by Professor Peter Riederer)

WASAD International Congress of the World Association for Stress Related and Anxiety Disorders in conjunction with the Collaborative Research Centers

SFB-TRR 58, Fear, Anxiety, Anxiety Disorders, www.wasad-congress.org

14 – 17 September 2017, Würzburg, Germany



Continuing Education

WASAD-SFB TRR58 will offer an educational program in cooperation with the Center of Mental Health, University Hospital Würzburg. Further details will be presented at the WASAD and SFB homepages as we are progressing in the planning of the congress. Organizers will apply for CME credits.

Host Organization

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Würzburg, Bavaria is awaiting you

The Congress of the World Association of Stress-related and Anxiety Disorders e.V. (WASAD) will take place in Würzburg, Germany, from 14 – 17 September 2017. It will be a joint congress with the Collaborative Research Centers SFBTRR58 Fear, Anxiety, Anxiety Disorders.

WASAD introduces itself

The World Association for Stress-related and Anxiety Disorders, WASAD, is an independent non-profit organization founded in 2016 by leaders of clinical and translational science.

The reasons for this are:

Stress and disease sequelae related to stress and trauma as well as anxiety disorders represent an ever growing social problem and cause psychological distress affecting professional life, lifestyle and quality of life. These diseases are now one of the most common causes of work absences and thus have direct social consequences affecting not only affected persons but also the social environment.

WASAD has set itself the goal

- to promote basic research on stress-related disorders and anxiety disorders, to ensure effective and safe drug treatment and prevention strategies for these mental illnesses
- to make the interdisciplinary science findings suitable for clinical and psychological institutions and their representatives

- to offer the right framework for clinicians and practicing physicians, psychotherapists, physicians and psychotherapists in training, students and health care professionals in order to exchange knowledge and experiences in the fields of clinical and basic research, stress, stress-related disorders and anxiety disorders

- to make recommendations to current therapy-relevant topics

- to promote international contacts in this field

WASAD -SFB-TRR58 2017 is an international congress focusing on all levels of stress and anxiety disorders on a translational and interdisciplinary level. The organizers hope to attract clinicians, researchers, psychologists to discuss and provide knowledge in these disorders. Educational aspects will be of interest for attendees of this conference as well.

Translational treatment of the subject will lead to improved stress and anxiety prevention in diseases such as PTSD, burn out, school anxiety and stress, etc.

In order to reach these goals, the congress is planning plenary lectures, symposia, free communications, workshops, hot topic sessions and guided poster presentations.

Confirmed Keynote Speakers

Prof. Dr. D. Pine, Bethesda, USA

Prof. Dr. D. de Quervain, Basel, Switzerland

Prof. Dr. K. Ressler, Boston, USA

Travel Grants/Awards

- WASAD-SFB-TRR58 will provide a limited number of travel grants for young scientists/clinicians participating in the congress. Abstracts are required and will undergo evaluation

- WASAD-SFB-TRR58 will provide up to 10 poster awards

- WASAD will award a prize for a distinguished scientist

Important Dates

Online registration opens: December 2016

Abstract submission opens: December 2016

Deadline Earlybird Registration: 10 May 2017

Congress Venue

Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg

Building Z6, Hubland Süd

(Zentrales Hörsaal- u. Seminargebäude)

Am Hubland

97074 Würzburg

Who should attend

- Neuroscientists, clinicians, psychiatrists, neurologists, psychologists

- Non-profit organization staff

- Governmental representatives, health care experts

- Companies interested in the problem of stress, stress-related and anxiety disorders

- Company representatives responsible for in-house health management

Registration Fees

Registration until 10 May 2017 after 10 May 2017

Registration Fee € 300 € 390

Reduced Fee* € 50 € 50

SFB Members € 150 € 180

* Students: proof of evidence is required

Reasons to attend wasad 2017

- Gather valuable expert opinions

- Learn about the best therapy and prevention concepts in the field

- Understand the basic mechanisms of stress and anxiety-related disorders

- Become familiar with future directions for the development of new therapies and drugs

- Increase your awareness of these spectrum disorders

- Make use of new findings and communicate new knowledge in your clinical practice at home

- Get to know the best strategies to cope with stress and anxiety-related diseases

4. Danube Neurology Symposium (1999-2018) (by Professor László Vecsei)

31 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	1999	Szeged	L. Vecsei
32 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2000	Baja	J. Czopf
33 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2001	Lublin	Z. Stelmasiak
34 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2002	Bratislava	P. Traubner
35 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2003	Beograde	V. Kostic
36 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2004	Sofia	S. Yanceva
37 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2005	Ljubljana	Z. Pirtosek
38 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2006	Brno	I. Rektor
39 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2007	Wuerzburg	P. Riederer
40 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2008	Bucurest	O. Bajenaru
41 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2009	Linz	G. Rasnmayr
42 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2010	Zagreb	V. Demarin and M. Relja
43 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2011	Dresden	H. Reichmann
44 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2012	Szeged	L. Vecsei
45 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2013	Prague	E. Ruzicka
46 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2014	Montenegro	V. Kostic and R. Raicevic
47 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2015	Dusseldorf	H.P. Hartung
48 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2016	Ljubljana	Z. Pirtosek
49 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2017	Budapest	S. Komoly and L. Vecsei
50 th	Danube Neurology Symposium	2018	Debrecen	L. Csiba and L. Vecsei
51 st	Danube Neurology Symposium	2019	Bucarest	applicant: O. Bajenaru

5. Present and Future Activities of the International Danube Neurology Association

- The **Danube Neurology Association** fosters and coordinates fellowship programs for young neurologists from Danube Countries
- Coordination of future **Danube Neurology Symposia**
- The **Danube Neurology Newsletter** is available free of charge (also downloadable) on Internet in electronic version
- Information about future events (**Calendar of events**)
- We also consider as our task to help with the activity of the **EFNS** in the Danube-countries.

6. Finances of the International Danube Neurology Association

According to previous decision of the Danube Neurology Curatorium Meeting, the financial sources of the International Danube Neurology Association from all kinds of symposia, conferences, meetings, teaching/training or other kinds of courses under the roof and auspices of our organization, are as follows:

According to a final report of the meetings, symposia, etc. to be handed in electronically to the Head Office in Szeged, Hungary, the financial surplus of all meetings should be divided 70:30 between the Local Organizers and the permanent International Danube Neurology Symposium Head Office in Szeged, Hungary. Or the amount of min. EUR 2,500 is to be transferred – together with the financial report – to the Head Office according to our invoice.

7. Web-site of the International Danube Neurology Association

The home-page of the **International Danube Neurology Association** consists of:

- the contents of all Newsletter (Nr.1-27)
- Managing and Executive Board Members of Danube Neurology Association
- Past and future Symposia, Conferences, Meetings
- Other further important information.