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Editors Social, FENS 2012

Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona, Museu Blau
July 15, 2012, 18:45-21:15

The Host Society Committee organizes a social event on **July 15, 2012 (18:45-21:15)** devoted to an open discussion among specialists and interested neuroscientists, on different “hot spots” regarding current scientific publication. The programme will include four brief introductory talks for the different subjects of discussion, followed by a brainstorming open to all attendants (**see programme below**).

The venue will be the **Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona, Museu Blau**, just across the street from the Convention Center where the FENS Forum will take place.

Attendance is free but limited to 150 participants. To register, send an email with your complete name and affiliation to socialeditors.contact@gmail.com. Attendance will be decided on a first come, first served basis.

The Editors Social will be sponsored by scientific and governmental institutions, as well as scientific publishers. If you want to co-sponsor the event, please contact the organizers at socialeditors.contact@gmail.com. Sponsors will be acknowledged in the programme, on the website and on the site of the activity.

Speakers:

Katja Brose, Neuron

Min Cho, Nature Neuroscience

Jean-Marc Fritschy, European Journal of Neuroscience

Elena Becker-Barroso, Lancet Neurology, **Session Chair**

Topics for discussion:

- The future of peer review (The Neuroscience Peer Review Consortium, reducing the workload for referees, review of papers with increasing complexity and supplemental data,...).
- Is scientific misconduct increasing? (What can editors do to detect and prevent scientific misconduct, coping with conflict of interest, authorship disputes, retractions,...).
- Are impact factors and other metrics an objective indication of research performance? How impact factors affect funding?
- Scientific publishing, from paper to electronic and then what?

The session will end with an informal reception on site.

Organizers: Host Society Communication Committee (Dr. Agustina Garcia, Dr. Fernando de Castro and Dr. Miquel Vila).