Welcome to the second Festival partner briefing! First off, a reminder of the imminent POSTER DEADLINE:

**Poster abstract submission deadline**
Friday 16th December 2016

[bna.org.uk/meetings/bna2017/poster-abstracts](bna.org.uk/meetings/bna2017/poster-abstracts)

Posters provide an excellent opportunity to present and discuss current research, gain new insights and meet potential collaborators at home and overseas. **Do please encourage your members - particularly those early in their career - to submit their abstracts soon.**

**Poster prizes** are also on offer, and the chance to be selected for a Rapid Fire poster talk.

**Publication of abstracts**
Excitingly, all accepted abstracts - both for posters and talks - will be **published in our new Gold Open Access journal, Brain and Neuroscience Advances**. This will mean all abstracts can be referenced and will give poster presenters added exposure of their research, well beyond the Festival itself.

**Early-career opportunities**
We're aware that the Festival is particularly important and valuable for students and early-career researchers and clinicians. A host of features have therefore been tailored specifically with early-career members in mind:

- Heavily subsidised student registration fee
- All symposia include at least one up-and-coming scientist
- 750 poster presentation slots
- Selected posters highlighted in a rapid-fire oral session (3 minute talks)
- Poster prizes
- Workshop on grants and funding
- Workshop on careers outside of academia
- Scientific speed-dating
- Careers booth in the exhibition area
- Evening social event 'Eight til Late'

See [bna.org.uk/meetings/bna2017/programme/#early-career-events](bna.org.uk/meetings/bna2017/programme/#early-career-events)

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**Registration**
Don’t forget that all members of Partner Societies can register at reduced rates!

All partner societies are listed on the festival website at [bna.org.uk/meetings/bna2017/partner-societies](bna.org.uk/meetings/bna2017/partner-societies).

At the bottom of the page you will find a **unique discount code**. Please **share this code with your members**, and instruct them to use it when registering online - the discount will then be applied automatically.

Please **take care not to disseminate the code to non-members**, as otherwise your own members will not benefit from this exclusive offer!

**Poster deadline:**
16th December 2016

**Earlybird deadline:**
31st December 2016

**Savings:**
Members of Partner Societies save up to £190 each!

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Register soon: last time we had to close registration due to overwhelming demand!

**Your unique discount code:**
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Festival promotion

Help us spread the word! Please do make sure your members know this meeting is for them.

Marketing toolkit: please click to download and use for your own marketing purposes.

Festival logo: Please use on your newsletters, online calendars and emails etc.

Festival Highlights

Some Festival highlights to look forward to!

You may have caught the recent special edition of Radio Four’s ’All in the Mind’ with Graham Collingridge, Richard Morris and Tim Bliss talking about the research that earned them The Brain Prize 2016.

The Brain Prize Winners 2016

We’re delighted that Graham, Richard and Tim are all joining us at the Festival. (With two of them past-presidents of BNA, how could they refuse?)

An Evening with the Brain Prize Winners

Join all three winners in conversation with the BNA President Professor John Aggleton, with drinks and canapes included to help the conversational flow.

Plenary lecture by Graham Collingridge: Synaptic plasticity, memory, and molecules

Graham will describe the discovery of Long-term potentiation, now firmly established as the most important model system for understanding the synaptic basis of learning and memory.

Further sessions on learning and memory include:

S7: Retrosplenial cortex - a gateway to episodic memories
S16: PRESIDENT’S SYMPOSIUM: Neuroscience informed education
S9: Towards disease modifying drugs for neurodegeneration: connecting learnings from genetics, molecular and pathology studies
S12: Old brains, new insights
S23: The APOE paradox: pathway to Alzheimer’s disease

Public lecture: Neuroscience and Education: Promises and Perils
Public lecture: How neuroscience helps us understand and find treatments for dementia

We are very grateful to Lundbeckfonden, The Brain Prize, for their generous support of these two events. See thebrainprize.org

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