



IN – INSTITUTE OF NEUROSCIENCE  
Annual retreat – 2016  
*Padova, Sept. 13-16, 2016*  
**MEETING INFORMATION**



**1. PARTICIPANTS**

The meeting is organized by the Padova section. There are no registration fees. Travel and lodging expenses are to be covered with the participants own funds (“missioni”). As of Sept. 2, a total of 158 persons have registered and 100 abstracts have been sent in. 72 participants are Ph.D. students or post-docs.

**2. PROGRAM**

The venue is the Aula Magna of the Vallisneri departmental building. The program of the meeting is outlined in a separate file. It schedules 26 oral presentations (including 7 invited lectures) and 74 poster communications; it has been assembled taking into account the preferences expressed by the participants (poster vs. oral) and the contents of the abstracts. Speakers at the 2015 meeting were excluded, while youth was considered a positive factor in the selection of orals.

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

The official language of the meeting is English. Invited lectures will be allotted 40 minutes plus a 10-minute discussion period. Oral communications will last 15 min. plus 5 min. for discussion. Time limits will be enforced. Please use Power Point. Please provide a copy of your presentation in a USB pen drive **at least 15 minutes** before the start of your session. Speakers may set up a poster on the same topic of their oral communication if they so wish, but this will be considered a supernumerary poster and it will not be indexed. Please note: On the 13th activities will start at 14:00 sharp.

**4. POSTERS**

Poster size must be  $\leq 150$  (height) by 90 (width) centimeters. Posters will be fixed to rather hard but penetrable boards with pins/thumbtacks (provided) or an ad-hoc sticky material (provided). If the weather is favourable, they will be set up outside the building under canopies normally used to protect bicycles, and will remain accessible throughout the meeting. In case of bad weather, the stands will be arranged inside the building and it may or may not be necessary to have two shifts. The posters are organized in groups and numbered, as specified in a posted file which also detail poster attendance duties.

**5. COURSE ON ANIMAL EXPERIMENTATION**

105 persons have stated their intention to attend the course. Please see the program for its schedule. Contrary to a previous announcement, no material will be made available online or distributed at the meeting. The course will be held in Italian. Participants will be required to wear the meeting badge to attend, and to sign a register at the beginning and end of each session. After completion they will receive a signed certificate of attendance.

## **6. MATERIALS PROVIDED**

At registration participants will receive a name tag and a small kit with a notepad and a pen. There will be no congress briefcase/bag, hard copy of the program, abstracts etc.: if you so wish, take to the meeting your own hardcopy of the files posted online.

## **7. FOOD & REFRESHMENTS**

As detailed in the program. Coffee and meals will be served in a room (normally a student study room) in the Vallisneri building, across the hall from the Aula Magna. Due to both budget limitations and bureaucratic restrictions no refreshments will be provided during breaks in the afternoon; the meeting dinner on the 14th will be buffet-style and it will be followed by a plenary lecture.

## **8. HOURS**

For security and safety reasons the Vallisneri building must be locked up at the times indicated in the program: 7 pm on the 13th and 15th, 10 pm on the 14th. There will be no gatekeepers on duty after those hours. Please note that this applies also to the outer enclosure gates.

## **9. CONTACTS**

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