

## **Advisory Panel on "Ethics in Neuroscience, Use of Animals in Scientific Procedures, and Communicating Science"**

The Committee of the FENS-IBRO European Neuroscience Schools Programme has created an Advisory Panel on "Ethics in Neuroscience, Use of Animals in Scientific Research, and Communicating Science". The list is made available to school organizers to facilitate the addition of these topics to the school programmes; the panel consists of leading figures in the field willing to give lectures on these issues at the neuroscience schools supported or organized by the FENS-IBRO European Neuroscience Schools Programme.

The task for the panel expert is to give one lecture every year or so at one of the Programmes schools, upon invitation of the scientific organizer. School organizers may decide to take advantage of the competences the board offers, although they are free to invite other experts in the field. Panel members who decline an invitation for three consecutive years will be deemed to have resigned from the panel. The programme of the school should be communicated to the panel expert at least nine months before the school is held, to allow Faculty members a time to plan activities. It would be desirable that an expert stay more than one day at the school, to coordinate the action of a student work-group.

The school covers travel (economy class) and accommodation and reasonable subsistence expenses.

The aim of the initiative is to have within the Programme a group of excellence willing to contribute on this crucial issue in response to the request of the scientific organizer, or on personal request of the *liaison* of the school and/or the Chair of the Committee.

### **The panel includes:**

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