FENS-KAVLI NETWORK OF EXCELLENCE

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: FENS-KAVLI SCHOLARS COHORT 2023-2027

The FENS-Kavli Network of Excellence (FKNE) is a dynamic and prestigious network of 30 outstanding early to mid-career European neuroscientists.

The Network was established in 2014 through a collaboration by the Federation of European Neuroscience Societies (FENS) and the The Kavli Foundation. The multidisciplinary, international Network of FENS-Kavli Scholars is self-organised and aims to promote scientific exchange among its scholars and alumni, improve Neuroscience in Europe and beyond, provide opportunities for young scientists, influence science policy, and facilitate interaction between science and society. FKNE Scholars participate in ~2 meetings per year that allow for lively discussion of a range of topics across Neuroscience as well as challenges and opportunities for European neuroscientists; the FKNE Scholars are should get involved and actively contribute to the initiatives set by the Network.

For the 2023-2027 FKNE cohort, we aim to recruit 15 excellent, diverse, engaged scientists from all Europe who are:
- early and mid-career stage neuroscientists with independent positions;
- Neuroscientists who typically completed their PhD work 4-12 years ago (though there is no strict timing rule, and candidates who are over 12 years post-PhD will still be considered to allow for childcare considerations).

Our ideal cohort has:
- Excellence in track record;
- Representation of scientific communities across all Europe;
- Diversity of research focuses and approaches to the study of brain functions;
- Representation of gender and ethnic diversity;
- Engagement and participation to FKNE activities

The FENS-Kavli Scholars:

- will be selected based on the above criteria
- will actively serve two terms, each of 2 years' duration (i.e.: 2023-2027).

The selection of the 15 new FENS-Kavli Scholars will take place in the first half of 2023.

Application Procedure:
- Only neuroscientists employed in independent positions (Principal Investigators) at Academic or Research Institutions in Europe (N.B. This includes PIs located in the European countries where FENS has a national society, and the PIs that have an individual FENS membership in the European countries - as defined by United Nations - where FENS does not have a national society) are eligible;
- Candidates are encouraged to apply directly;
- Additionally, each FENS member society may nominate up to two candidates. These do not have to be members of the nominating society. Applications made by member societies will be subject to all of the same selection criteria as individual applications. Gender balance is strongly encouraged;

- In all cases, the application should be supported by two letters from internationally renowned neuroscientists;
- All applications and nominations should be submitted via the online application form.

Candidates should be available for maximum 20-minute Skype interview scheduled to take place between 7 and 15 June 2023.

> ➢ **Apply/Nominate now**

Deadline for applications: 10 April 2023 (23.00 o'clock, Brussels time).

Selection Committee:

In 2023, the Selection Committee consists of:

- Flavio Donato – FKNE Chair
- Lora Sweeney – FKNE Vice-Chair
- Tomás Ryan – Past FKNE Chair
- Carlos Ribeiro - FENS Secretary General
- Stephanie Albin - Science Program Officer, Kavli Foundation
- Tim Vogels - FKNE Alumni
- Ewelina Knapska - FKNE Scholar
- Sonja Vernes - FKNE Scholar
- Tobias Hauser - FKNE Scholar