

Dear colleagues and friends,

There is never two without three and the third try will be the right one. Who would have thought that these two sayings would one day apply to our Congress of the Société Européenne de Neurologie Pédiatrique! The new President of our society, the Board and the Local Committee will be all the more pleased to welcome you this spring in Lausanne as the wait has been long since 2020.

Our venue has also changed for the third time: we will be hosted at the Beaulieu Congress Centre where we can forget about viruses and constraints linked to our hospitals. The weather will hopefully allow us to see the snow-covered Alps through the windows and even to go out into the park.

Fortunately, the topics we have chosen are timeless and our guest speakers have all agreed to maintain their participation. Thanks to them the initial program has been kept unchanged. We will therefore start our meeting on Thursday 17 March afternoon with the teaching course for paediatricians and then move on to the two main topics: Friday will be devoted to "the child's language in exceptional circumstances". Our speakers will discuss the development and organization of language in acquired brain damage, malformations, developmental disorders of genetic origin and some types of epilepsy. On Saturday, we will deal with "paroxysmal episodes in young children", including newborns: there is always something new in this field, where the benign and the fearsome meet and where diagnosis and treatment often remains a challenge, even with technological aids. General pediatric neurology will also be on the agenda with free communications and posters.

We are very grateful to our speakers and sponsors for their faithful commitment despite the odds as well as to those who will present their work and to the participants: thanks to you all, we will have an exciting meeting and leave Lausanne with new knowledge, new ideas and enriched by our "live" discussions.

We hope that you will also find some time to walk around town or by the lake where a visit to the Olympic Museum and our Society's dinner will take place on Friday 18.

Enjoy your meeting in Lausanne!