President Geneviève Aubert is delighted to announce that the 19th Annual Meeting of the ISHN (International Society for the History of the Neurosciences) will be held in the Palais des Académies, Brussels, Belgium, from 30 June to 5 July 2014.

This will be a great time to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the First World War, the 500th birthday of Andreas Vesalius and the 100th anniversary of Arthur Van Gehuchten’s death. Other lectures will explore fascinating topics such as the relationships between neurosciences and Belgian surrealism. A full day will be dedicated to the History of Sleep and Wakefulness Research and the History of Sleep Medicine.

Discover the preliminary program on the website www.ishn.org. Should you be interested in participating in the planned sessions, WWI & shell shock (Frank Stahnisch), WWI & neurosurgery (Moshe Feinsod) and Belgian Neurosciences (Geneviève Aubert), please contact directly the chairpersons (their email addresses are on the website).

Among the many hotels in Brussels, rooms have been booked for the participants in two hotels. Both are within walking distance of the ISHN 2014 conference site. As the central headquarters of the ISHN, we strongly recommend the Renaissance Brussels hotel. The Hotel Chambord, which is a nice hotel, has neither bar nor lounge - so no possibility of socializing nor of drinking a good Belgian beer on site!

For your booking, go to the website, to Accommodations (Hotel Reservations link), under the picture. You should be able to book for the meeting - and the weekend before and/or after. Indeed we strongly recommend you to stay a few days more, in order to explore Brussels and Belgium treasures.

Students with limited resources may contact Geneviève Aubert in order to make their booking in a nice hotel in the city center where rooms have been reserved specially for them.

Note that the Federation of European Neuroscience Societies (FENS) organizes its 9th FENS Forum on Neuroscience in Milan from 5th to 9th July 2014. Some historical events are organized. Some ISHN members are already involved, others may be interested to participate. See at http://fens2014.neurosciences.asso.fr/index.php.

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