

# Innovation in Neuroscience - and the re-invention of yourself

**Quality Expo Hotel at Fornebu, Oslo, 5-6 November 2014**

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All PhD candidates in neuroscience are welcome to take part in our innovation workshop, jointly organized by the Norwegian Research School in Neuroscience (NRSN) and Nansen Neuroscience Network (NNN). The event has a double aim: Firstly, to demonstrate the potential for innovation in neuroscience, and discuss the steps required for a successful commercialization of your project. Secondly, we wish to focus on your career plans and – opportunities, particularly those leading towards innovative enterprises outside Academia. All participants travelling to Oslo will have their travel and hotel accommodation costs covered by NRSN. There is no conference fee, and all meals are included for the duration of the program. To stimulate networking, those living in Oslo are also welcome to stay at the hotel, at our cost. [Membership in NRSN in a precondition for participation](#), but you may sign up for the workshop and register for NRSN simultaneously.

## REGISTRATION IS CLOSED

Please contact Erik Ingebrigtsen ([erik.ingebrigtsen@ntnu.no](mailto:erik.ingebrigtsen@ntnu.no)) for questions regarding registration.

## 5 November: Innovation in Neuroscience

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| 11:00       | Arrival and registration   |
| 11:30-12.30 | Lunch  |
| 12.30-16.00 | <b>Do your actions have innovative potential?</b><br><i>The need for innovation in neuroscience.</i> Leif Rune Skymoen, CEO, Nansen Neuroscience Network<br><i>The innovation process and the role of University Technology Transfer Offices.</i> Ole Kristian Hjelstuen, CEO, Inven2<br><i>MultiGuide – the journey from idea to the clinic.</i> Jørgen Nordahl, Manager, NTNU Technology Transfer<br>Governmental support for your innovation:<br><i>Research Council programs to support your innovation.</i> Ina Kathrine Dalsveen, Senior Adviser, The Research Council of Norway<br><i>Innovation Norway programs to support your innovation.</i> Ole Johan Borge, Head of Department Health and ICT, Innovation Norway.<br><i>Why realizing the potential of your research makes a difference.</i> Lise von Tangen Jordan, CEO, Jesem AS. |

- 16.00-18.30 **Group session on participants' projects**  
*Facilitators:*  
 Else Høibraaten, Senior Medical Director UK, Ireland, Scandinavia, Finland and Baltics, Eli Lilly & Company  
 Lise von Tangen Jordan, investor, Adm.dir., Jesem AS  
 Ingrid Teigland Akay, investor, Adm.dir., Hadean Ventures  
 Erik Christensen, Chief Medical Officer/Chief Operating Officer Pre Diagnostics AS  
 Jørgen Nordahl, Manager, NTNU TTO
- 19:30-22.00 Dinner at [Sjøflyhavna Kro](#).

## 6 November: Non-academic career options

- 09.00-11.30 **Your career planning and - opportunities**  
*Using your scientific background outside the laboratory.* Anne Kjersti Fahlvik, Executive Director Innovation, The Research Council of Norway  
*Trend in pharma: Towards more scientific positions.* Tiago Rodriguez, General Manager, Abbvie and Board Member at Legemiddelindustrien (LMI)  
*From academia to industry: Experiencing both worlds.* Marte Thuen, Chief Technology Officer, Nordic Neurolab.  
*Contract Research Organizations – putting expertise to work.* Ola Gudmundsen, CEO, Link Medical Research.  
*Now, how do you get the job?* Monica Stryse, Senior Business Consultant, Mercuri Urval.
- 11.30-12.30 Lunch
- 12.30-15.15 **Career workshop with facilitators who have taken the step from PhD research to non-academic positions.**  
*Facilitators:*  
 Christian Berger, Medical Advisor, Teva  
 Sayeh Ahrabi, Seksjonssjef, Statens Legemiddelverk  
 Alexandra Bjørk-Skaflestad, Seniorrådgiver, Forskningsrådet/NevroNor  
 Marte Thuen, Chief Technology Officer, Nordic Neurolab  
 Wiggo Sandberg, Medical Advisor, MSD  
 Hilde Abrahamsen Enserink, Medical Advisor, AbbVie
- 15.30 Departure