

INA-17, Düsseldorf, Germany in 2019

After two joint meetings in North and South America, the INA members decided to have their 17th biannual meeting in Europe. After having a successful INA meeting in 2003 in Dresden-Germany, the local organizers (Ellen Fritsche and Christoph van Thriel) are happy to host another INA meeting in Germany.

The 17th biannual meeting of the International Neurotoxicology Association (INA-17) will be held from September 29th until October 3rd 2019 in Düsseldorf, Germany. To avoid an overlap with the XV International Congress of Toxicology in Honolulu, Hawaii, the executive committee of INA and the local organizers (Ellen Fritsche and Christoph van Thriel) decided to have an early fall meeting in 2019.

The congress venue (Land Gut Hoehne; <http://www.guthoehne.de/en/about-land-gut-hoehne>) is close to the Neander Valley, the place that gave or archaic sisters and brothers, the *Homo neanderthalensis* (40ka–250ka) its name. At least the DNA of these Neanderthals is still alive in the DNA of modern humans and researchers are currently investigating the geographic Neanderthal admixture in modern humans. An excursion to the Neander Valley Museum will be part of the recreational activity.



With respect to science, the call for symposia proposals will be launched soon and as announced in the last newsletter a diversity of scientific topics will be expected during this call. As the format will be more “traditional”, avoiding parallel sessions, having time for discussion, providing platforms for students and young researchers, the number of these reorganized symposia will be limited. The Scientific Committee will select only the best proposals!

We hope to get your input to cover the “hot topics” that are relevant for our society and we are looking forward seeing you in Düsseldorf, Germany.

Kind regards,
Ellen and Christoph