



# Brain Innovation Days

11-12 October 2022  
Brussels, Belgium

Connecting Brains

## Introduction

The **Brain Innovation Days** were launched virtually in October 2020, kicking off **one full year of a packed brain innovation agenda**, leading up to the 1st on-site event in October 2021. This year, the event is back, with a redesigned programme and central venue location.

**179 million Europeans** are currently living with brain disorders, and this is to steadily increase as the population ages. Though **one in three Europeans are set to live with a brain disorder** at some point of their life – neurological and mental alike – brain treatments remain insufficient and research is disproportionately underfunded compared to other disease areas. At the same time, we have **inspiring innovators in the brain space** paving their way to building solutions for patients with brain disorders.

## The Brain Innovation Days allow for:

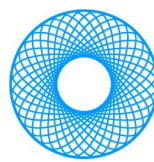
### ENGAGING THE FULL BRAIN COMMUNITY

An idea born out of exchange between leading organisations in brain research and brain-related start-ups, and the need to better integrate the various brain communities in the wider ecosystem.



### ACCELERATING INNOVATION

Where leaders in their own fields – researchers, industry, start-ups, innovators, policymakers, investors, health care professionals and patients – can meet to exchange knowledge, foster collaboration, accelerate investment and business development opportunities.

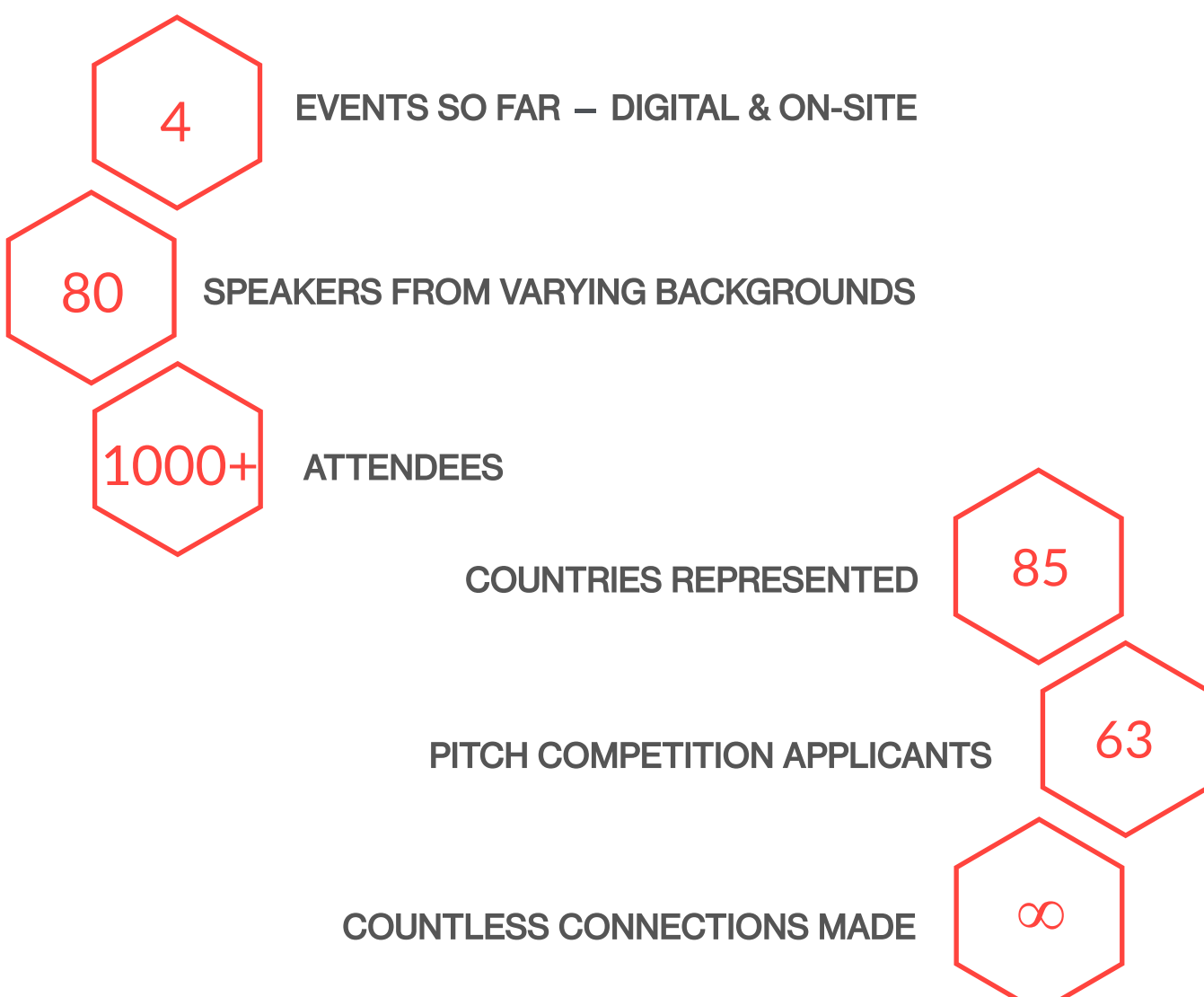


### AN ANNUAL EVENT

To provide showcasing opportunities of the latest innovations and allow for in-person matchmaking and networking opportunities, especially for stakeholders without day-to-day interaction.



## Follow the Brain Innovation Days journey so far:



## Join us on 11-12 October for:



### THE EBRA FINAL CONFERENCE

The [Final Conference of the European Brain Research Area \(EBRA\) project](#) will precede the start of the Brain Innovation Days, including a high-level, policy-focused Plenary Session co-organised by the EBRA Partners: European Brain Council, ERA-NET NEURON, Human Brain Project and the EU Joint Programme for Neurodegenerative Disease Research (JPND).



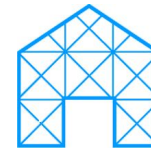
### SHOWCASING OPPORTUNITIES

Exploring the latest in the brain innovation space by visiting our **Innovation Corner**, set up for companies to showcase their tangible tools and devices and for researchers to present posters. The 2nd Brain Innovation Days **Pitch Competition** will also take place - finalists will battle it out on stage to be awarded Best Pitch by a jury of experts and the public.



### KNOWLEDGE SHARING

Attend a number of **sessions presented by experts**, focused on the latest cutting-edge work underway. These will take place throughout the day in the form of panels, round tables, short talks and How-To Sessions – without taking away from the networking time.



### COMMUNITY BUILDING

An event focused on enabling space and opportunity for open discussion and showcasing, **prioritising networking opportunities** for attendees from varying backgrounds within the brain space and beyond.



### MATCHMAKING

Meet new people via pre-event matchmaking, facilitated through a **dedicated matchmaking platform** to ease interaction between registered participants on the day. The platform will remain available to foster collaboration past October 2022.