

# VIRTUAL BRAINSTORM



**WORLD IN A BRAINSTORM**  
**2023 FORUM**

## FRIDAY 12 MAY - MORNING

**OPENING &  
WELCOME TO COUNTRY**  
9.00 am

**Welcome to Country**  
Emeritus Prof Simon Forrest  
**Opening by Meeting for Minds**  
Susie Hincks, Co-Founder and Celia Hammond, Patron  
**Program Overview**  
Geraldine Mellett, MC

**PLEX IN RESEARCH**  
9.30 am

**The Meeting for Minds Approach**  
Hon Keith Wilson, Director and Christopher Archer, International Chief Scientist  
**Other Approaches**  
Deb Langridge, Head of CCIP Program, Western Australian Health Translation Network  
Thomas Kabir, Head of Public Involvement in Research, McPin Foundation, United Kingdom (virt)  
Assoc Prof Michelle Banfield, Co-Director, ALIVE National Mental Health Research Translation Centre

**BREAK** 10.45 am – 11.15 am

**DIVE INTO BRAIN RESEARCH:**  
*NEURAL PATHWAYS*  
11.15 am

**Music and the Brain**  
Emeritus Prof Alan Harvey, University of Western Australia  
**Drum Therapy Workshop**  
Gina Newport, Dindindi Drums  
**Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (rTMS): Treating Depression**  
Assoc Prof Jenny Rodger, University of Western Australia

**BREAK** 12.45 pm – 1.30 pm

## FRIDAY 12 MAY - AFTERNOON

**DIVE INTO BRAIN RESEARCH:**  
*CHALLENGING CONVERSATIONS*  
1.30 pm

**The Impact of Sports Concussion**  
Dr Sarah Hellewell, Curtin University, Australia (virtual) and Thomas Bergin  
**MDMA Research Down Under: A Decade of Persistence**  
Dr Stephen Bright, Edith Cowan University, Australia  
**Investing in Psychedelics in Search of Better Treatments**  
Christian Angermayer, Apeiron Investment Group & atai Life Sciences, Germany (virtual)

**BREAK** 3.00 pm – 3.30 pm

**DIVE INTO BRAIN RESEARCH:**  
*BRAIN TRAUMA*  
3.30 pm

**Inherited Trauma: Epigenetics in Action**  
Prof Isabelle Mansuy, University Zürich, Switzerland (virtual)  
**How Female and Male Brains React Under Mental Insults**  
Prof Hermona Soreq, The Hebrew University, Israel  
**Indigenous Mental Health**  
Prof Pat Dudgeon, University of Western Australia

**WRAP UP** 5.00 pm – 5.15 pm

**MEETING FOR MINDS PRESENTS**  
*CAFÉ SCIENTIFIQUE*  
5.15 PM-6.30 PM

**Café Scientifique (French)**  
**Origins and Consequence of Mental Fatigue**  
Meeting for Minds, in partnership with the Institute for Brain Research (ICM), Paris, presents a



## SATURDAY 13 MAY - MORNING

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| OPENING & WELCOME<br>9.30 am   | Welcome<br>Geraldine Mellett, MC  |
| DIVE INTO BRAIN RESEARCH:<br><i>YOUTH &amp; MENTAL HEALTH</i><br>9.45 am | Childhood Trajectories to Youth-Onset and Adult Mental Disorders<br>Prof Ian Hickie, University of Sydney, Australia<br>Youth Mental Health: Providing the Right Care, First Time, Where you Live<br>Prof Ian Hickie, University of Sydney, Australia   |
| BREAK 10.45 am – 11.15 am  |   |
| BREAKING DOWN THE SILOS<br>11.15 am                                      | Co-managing Young People and Families Immunotherapy for Atypical Disorders<br>Assoc Prof Elizabeth Scott, University of Sydney, Australia<br>GLAD Study: (Pharmaco)Genetics Linked to Anti-Depressants<br>Prof Anthony Akkari, University of Western Australia<br>Prof Sean Hood, University of Western Australia |
| DIVE INTO BRAIN RESEARCH:<br><i>LEARNING PATHWAYS</i><br>12.15 pm        | Learning Under Emotional Pressure<br>Prof Rony Paz, Weizmann Institute, Israel (virtual)  |

BREAK 12.45 pm – 1.30 pm

## SATURDAY 13 MAY - AFTERNOON

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| PANEL DISCUSSION<br>1.30 pm   | How can Brain and Behavioural Science Impact the Life of the Community for Good?<br>Moderator: Geraldine Mellett<br>Panellists: Neil Cole, Playwright; Emeritus Prof Hon Dr Geoff Gallop, University of Sydney; Assoc Prof Michelle Banfield, ALIVE National Mental Health Research Translation Centre; Prof Ian Hickie, University of Sydney, Darren Seiwright, Commander Operations - WA Police Force; WA Department of Education, Prof Mohan Isaac, University of WA |
| BREAK 3.00 pm – 3.30 pm   |   |
| DIVE INTO BRAIN RESEARCH:<br><i>BRAIN CAPITAL</i><br>3.30pm               | Telling Humanity's Brain Story: Insights from Brain Capital<br>Dr Harris Eyre, Deakin University, Australia (virtual)   |
| BRAINSTORMING THE FUTURE<br>4.00 pm                                       | Funding our Future Research<br>Prof Michaela Lucas, University of Western Australia (virtual)<br>Learnings and Opportunities for Future Research<br>Maria Halphen, Founder & Director of Meeting for Minds  |
| BREAK 5.00 pm – 5.30 pm   |   |
| COCKTAILS WITH<br>NORMAN SARTORIUS<br>5.30 pm                             | Cocktails and Q+A<br>Prof Norman Sartorius (virtual)  |
| MEETING FOR MINDS PRESENTS<br><i>CAFÉ SCIENTIFIQUE</i><br>6.30 PM-7.30 PM | Café Scientifique (French)<br>Origins and Consequence of Mental Fatigue<br>Meeting for Minds, in partnership with the Institute for Brain Research (ICM), Paris, presents a conversation with Director of Research, Mr Mathias Pessiglione.<br><i>Recording of live discussion on 9 May 2023.</i>   |

