

UniGR Workshop:

Psychobiology & Health

Date & time: 12 May 2014, 10:00 – 15:00

Venue: University of Luxembourg, Campus Walferdange

Participants: see below

SUMMARY

Jochen Schneider welcomes the participants' and presents the Luxembourg Centre for Systems Biomedicine (LCSB) and the Translational Medicine group (see annex).

Kristina Hondrila presents the "University of the Greater Region – UniGR", positioning the workshop and its theme within the UniGR key area "Biomedicine" and explaining the "bottom-up" philosophy of the UniGR key areas. She underlines that possible joint projects could concern research as well as teaching.

Unfortunately, several representatives from partner universities have had to excuse themselves, while being very interested in meeting the other researchers and discussing possible joint projects. Lucienne Blessing, UniGR Director, had to participate in another UniGR meeting with the vice-presidents of the partner universities.

PART I: PRESENTATION OF RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

The following participants present their research activities and interests in the domains "Self-regulation & Health" and "Lifestyle Diseases & Stress Disorders" (see presentations in annex):

- Claus Vögele (ULU)
- Fernand Anton (ULU)
- Nicola Baumann (UT)
- Hartmut Schächinger (UT)
- Martine Batt (ULor)
- Jonathan Turner (CRP-Santé)
- André Schulz (ULU)
- Cathy Le Baron (ULg, on behalf of the excused researchers Isabelle Hansez and Anne-Marie Etienne)

PART II: PRESENTATION OF FUNDING PROGRAMMES

Françoise Meisch (Luxinnovation) and Carlo Duprel (FNR) present funding opportunities for bi- and multilateral projects (see annex) within selected EU programmes (with a focus on "**Horizon2020**"), and, respectively, the National Research Fund of Luxembourg (with a focus on **the INTER programme**: bi-lateral projects with Germany, France possible, while not yet with Belgium/Wallonie).

Françoise Meisch and Carlo Duprel explain that "**WIDESPREAD**" within the **Teaming action** under Horizon2020 (next deadline: 17 September 2014) targets "low RDI performing countries", which includes Luxembourg. The FNR will pre-select two relevant project applications, based on an evaluation of weak research areas and domains in Luxembourg, in need of development.

Carlo Duprel underlines that **ERA chairs** could also be relevant in the UniGR context.