UK NODE NEWSLETTER, DECEMBER, 2012

Dear UK Node Members,

Here are our updates for the month of December – if you have any job adverts or events that you would like to publicise, either through our newsletter or website, please contact Rob.Bailey@ed.ac.uk.

NEWS

The INCF Governing Board meeting was held at the INCF secretariat on November 15-16, 2012.

- At the meeting it was announced that Professor Sten Grillner will be stepping down as Chair of the INCF Board after completing his term of office. Professor Jan Bjaalie was elected to become the new Chair from 01/01/2013 until 31/12/2015.

- The 6th INCF Neuroinformatics Congress will be held in Stockholm, Sweden, August 27-29, 2013. The INCF has a webpage created for the event and includes a list of keynote speakers as well as details of workshop proposals. For more information please visit http://www.neuroinformatics2013.org/.

- It was also announced at the Board meeting that the 7th INCF Neuroinformatics Congress in 2014 will be held in Leiden, Netherlands, date to be confirmed.

- The INCF Training Committee Chair, David Willshaw, has announced that there are plans to fund three short courses in 2013 and that a call for proposals to run such courses will be made some time after Christmas.

- INCF will be running a series of workshops in 2013, details of which will be available soon.

EVENTS

In November, the UK Node, in collaboration with eFutures, hosted the event Building Bridges to Build Brains in Edinburgh, which attracted over 60 people. This two-day meeting aimed to bring people from the Computational Neuroscience, Neuromorphic Hardware and Robotics communities together to tackle key problems and forge new cross-disciplinary collaborations. There were invited plenary talks from David Willshaw (Edinburgh), Steve Furber (Manchester) and Leslie Smith (Stirling) on the challenges faced by their communities together with a series of contributed talks. There were also opportunities to network and included a poster session and breakout sessions. Details of the event and the list of speakers can be found at the eFutures webpage here.
VACANCIES

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Vacancy Ref: 006283
Closing Date: 17-Dec-2012
Contact Person: Professor Douglas Armstrong:
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Applications are invited for a post-doctoral research position to work on projects funded by the European Union FP7 programme and the BBSRC. These projects will use computational biology and mathematical modelling methods to investigate the structure and function of protein complexes of the neuronal synapse in relation to synaptic plasticity and neurological disease. The post is available from 1 January 2013 for a period of one year in the first instance.

To apply, please visit the University of Edinburgh website at
http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/human-resources/jobs.