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To the entire Latin American and world neuroscientific community

The Executive Committee of the *Federation of Latin American and Caribbean Neuroscience Societies* - FALAN, the presidents of the member neuroscience societies and the Organizing Committee of the 3rd FALAN Congress have been closely following the evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic since its outbreak. All collective and face-to-face activities are suspended in several countries in compliance with the recommendations of the World Health Organization - WHO, as well as the guidelines implemented in each location by Federal, State and Municipal governments.

At this point, there is no absolute certainty about when activities will return to normal, but most projections predict that this should not happen before August or September of this year.

Thus, concerned with the safety and health of all guests, participants and service teams, and considering the logistical difficulties, which also include the regularization of national and international air transport, we believe that it is impossible to hold our 3rd FALAN Congress on the dates originally scheduled (September 14 to 17 of this year), which is why the event is now postponed to next year, taking place from September 12 to 15, 2021.

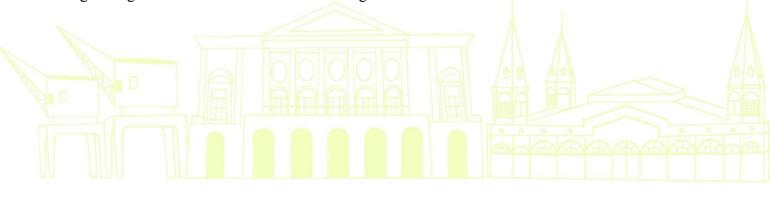
Since 2012, FALAN holds its congresses regularly, every four years, but a rescheduling with defined dates will ensure a successful event without major losses for the Latin American neuroscientific community. Among other issues, we have already confirmed the presence of the same keynote speakers, Drs. Edvard Moser, Carmen Sandi and Peter Hegemann, to whom we are very grateful.

We will keep everyone informed on our official website (<u>falan2020.com.br</u>) as well as on the websites of the companies and we count on your understanding and support to face, together, this great challenge that affects us all. If you wish to suggest or ask anything, please write to us at atendimentofalan2021@gmail.com

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Organizing Committee of the 3<sup>rd</sup> FALAN Congress





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