



**Call for proposals
International conference**

**DOWN SYNDROME:
BENEFITS FOR SOCIETY OF SOCIAL AND CIVIC PARTICIPATION.
INPUTS FROM RESEARCH AND INNOVATION**

**12th Edition of World Down Syndrome Day
Grenoble, FRANCE
16, 17 and 18th March, 2017**

Organized by:





Context

After Marseille, Paris, Lyon and Versailles, the 12th edition of the World Down Syndrome Day in France will take place in Grenoble on March 16th, 17th and 18th March 2017. This **annual** event is organized by *Alliance pour la Trisomie 21*, a group of French **associations involved in support and rights exercise of people with Down Syndrome, as well as in research**.

Launched by the AFRT (French association for research on Down Syndrome) in 2005, then progressively joined by Reflet 21 and more recently by UNAPEI, ARIST and Trisomie 21 France, those non-profit association groups co-organize a conferences day about the Down Syndrome each year. On this occasion, experts, researchers, professionals and families concerned with this chromosomal abnormality gather to exchange knowledge and experience.

The date, March 21st, the 21st day of the 3rd month, was chosen by AFRT in 2005 to illustrate the presence of 3 chromosomes 21 instead of 2. It was declared “World Down Syndrome Day” by the World Health Organization(WHO) and later by the General Assembly of the UN, in order to attract the World’s attention on Down Syndrome.

This 12th edition of the World Down Syndrome Day will focus around this following topic:

“Down Syndrome: benefits for society of social and civic participation. Inputs from research and innovation”

The conference will deal with advanced innovations in fundamental and applied research as well as applications, support, projects enabling better emancipation and social participation of people in terms of health, affective and sexual life, work, sports, culture and **spare** time. Social and civic participation cannot be questioned without dealing with school and learning.

Finally, new results have been found about the role of the chromosome 21 proteins and it is crucial to present those encouraging information to the public.

The aims of this conference are bringing together researchers, professionals, trainers and parents for update and further evolution of knowledge on benefits of social and civic participation of people with Down Syndrome.



Call for proposals

During the three days, partner associations bring together actors of many fields who work, in their domain, for a better recognition of people concerned by Down Syndrome in all domains of life.

The partner associations and the conference scientific committee invite professionals of biomedical, medical, cognitive science and sociology research to share their knowledge and advances on Down Syndrome and to submit abstracts describing their work in link with one of the mentioned topics.



Conference axes

The proposals should frame with one of the following topics supporting the general thematic of the international conference:

**Down Syndrome: benefits for society of social and civic participation.
Inputs from research and innovation**

Axis 1: Scientific and clinical research – medical and paramedical care

Axis 2: Means and benefits of a better inclusion

Axis 3: New technologies / connected human beings

Axis 4: Learning / Support / Communication and Language / Speech / Multimodality, Schooling, Aging, Culture, Sports, Affective and sexual life



Guidelines for proposals

Proposals should present theoretical aspects as well as, whenever possible, practical applications. They should be no longer than 3000 characters and be addressed by email, before January 2nd 2017 to the following address: grenoble2017@arist.asso.fr
The scientific committee will then select communications.

For complementary information, please contact Sophie Escoffier: sophie@arist.asso.fr.



Proposal format:

Font: Times New Roman size 12 – line spacing: 1,5 – no more than 3000 characters

The abstract should fit in no more than a single page with the least possible tables and figures.

Proposal title (in French and in English; 200 characters max)	
Type of communication wished:	oral <input type="checkbox"/> poster <input type="checkbox"/>
Authors' names and first names (the 1 st or underlined author will be the communicating author)	
Institution	
Email	
Telephone number	
<u>Abstract:</u>	
5 key words in French and English	

The authors whose abstracts are accepted will have to be registered to present their work and attend the conference.

A best poster award will be organized in order to promote posters. The winner will be awarded a prize and his/her poster will be published in the *Sciences & sports* journal.



Important dates

September 22 nd 2016:	Call for proposals
January 2 nd 2017:	Deadline for submission
January 16 th , 2017:	Decisions of the scientific committee and responses to authors
February 15 th , 2017:	Provisional program
March 16 th , 17 th and 18 th , 2017:	Conference



Scientific committee

President: **Véronique BRICOUT**, Associate Professor, HP2 Laboratory, INSERM U1042, UM Sports & Pathologies Hôpital Sud, Grenoble-Alpes University.

Vice-president: **Jacqueline LONDON**, Professor emeritus, Paris-Diderot University, Vice-president and founder of AFRT.

Marie-Paule BALICCO, Associate Professor, Equipe d'accueil Autonomie, Gérontologie, E-santé, Imagerie & Société, Director of Service Accueil Handicap (Service for the welcoming of handicapped people) of the Comue, Grenoble-Alpes.

Marion DOHEN, Associate Professor, GIPSA-lab (Speech and Cognition Department) and PHELMA Grenoble-INP.

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Nicole CREAU, CNRS researcher, Paris Diderot University.



Organizing committee

Franck LICHA, President of the organizing committee

The Community of Universities and Schools (COMUE) « Communauté Université Grenoble Alpes » is the organization who federates higher education facilities and research organizations of the entire region from Valence to Annecy. The Community of universities and schools (ComUE) Université Grenoble Alpes carries the selected project for Excellence Initiatives (IDEX) named "Université Grenoble Alpes : Université de l'innovation"

The ARIST and its partner associations work in favor of the recognition of people with Down Syndrome and other intellectual deficiencies. They are strongly mobilized around research in all domains aiming at improving people's quality of life (fundamental research, health, schooling, work, citizenship, culture, sports...).



Date and venue

Thursday 16, Friday 17 and Saturday 18 March, 2017
Grenoble Alpes University campus, 38400 Saint Martin d'Hères, FRANCE