

EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIP FOR **BRAIN HEALTH**

NATIONAL LAUNCH OF THE EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIP FOR BRAIN HEALTH

WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY 2026

ESPLORA PLANETARIUM HALL,
VILLA BIGHI, KALKARA

AGENDA

- 10:30 – 11:00** Registration and welcome coffee
- 11:00 – 11:05** Xjenza Malta - An Introduction
- 11:05 – 11:10** Address by **Dr Lydia Abela**
- 11:10 – 11:15** A recorded video message
Hon. Jo Etienne Abela, Minister for Health and Active Ageing
- 11:15 – 11:20** Remarks by the **Hon. Keith Azzopardi Tanti**,
Parliamentary Secretary for Youth, Research and Innovation
- 11:20 – 11:30** Keynote Speech by **Dr Denis Vella Baldacchino**,
Commissioner for the Rights of Persons with Mental Disorders
- 11:30 – 11:45** Coffee Break
- 11:45 – 12:25** **'Why Brain Health Matters: Advancing Society's Wellbeing
through Research'**
- Panel discussion moderated by **Dr Daniel Vella Fondacaro** (Psychiatrist)
- Panelists:
- **Dr Anna Maria Vella** (Clinical Chair, Substance Misuse Outpatients Unit at Sedqa) ;
 - **Prof. Nigel Camilleri** (Child, Adolescent and Sports Psychiatrist) ;
 - **Ms Daniela Calleja Bitar** (Chief Executive Officer, Richmond Foundation) ;
 - **Dr Anthony Scerri** (Vice-Chair, Malta Dementia Society) ;
 - **Prof. Janet Mifsud** (Head of Department of Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics, University of Malta).
- 12:25 – 12:35** Open discussion
- 12:35 – 12:45** Presentation on the European Partnership for Brain Health by
Mr Kaylen Borg (Internationalisation Unit, Xjenza Malta)
- 12:45 – 13:30** Networking Lunch