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You are bearing witness to a glorious moment in history: the first ever issue of CogNito News (from here on out abbreviated as CNN, in no way to be confused with other less inspired, second-rate news outlets) is made

available to cognitive neuroscience students all over Nijmegen. The aim of this new, monthly newspaper is to inform all CogNito members of what is happening within our budding study association.

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## Introduction of CogNito board and committees

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### ***Emma van Dijk:***

One of the founders and initiators of CogNito, Emma is our chair (definitely not the kind that you can sit on). She rules over CogNito with a polymer, fMRI-compatible fist.



### ***Rowan Sommers:***

This wanna-be philosopher cannot stop asking stupid questions no one has an answer to. Rowan prides himself of being CogNito's treasurer, even without money.



### ***Tineke Banda:***

Tineke has long been CogNito's secret agent, working tirelessly behind the scenes to gather intel for the board. She recently got rewarded for her hard work with the position of secretary, replacing Lisa Bos, the previous secretary and co-founder who vanished under mysterious circumstances.



### ***Tristan Looden:***

As the latest addition to our board, barely surviving a brutal selection procedure with many excellent candidates, Tristan has already proved himself invaluable and has been entrusted with the important duty of getting coffee, hot chocolate, and/or tea for the other board members.



### ***CogNito committees:***

CogNito would of course be nothing without its numerous worker bees, performing the actual labour necessary to organise both past and future activities.

#### ***Activity Committee:***

Tineke, Kari, Lisanne, Meret Lennart, Isabel, & Katharina

#### ***Education Committee:***

Rowan, Clara, Marjolein, Tristan, Ricarda, & Flavia

#### ***Travel Committee:***

Emma, Myrthe, Eline R, Lennart, Wiebke, & Natalia

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## Recent and Upcoming CogNito Activities

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### **CogNito Introduction Day:**

It seems a long time ago, but last August the activity committee organised the very first CogNito introduction. This came with free lunch, very random challenges and ended at the Kaaij. Even if only the committee laughed their socks off seeing the first years acting silly, it was still a great way to get to know each other.

### **CogNito Drinks:**

Of course you are all very familiar with our drinks, the first Friday of each month. They are the perfect opportunity to socialise or drown your sorrows in discounted beer, wine or soda. During the last edition some PhDs from the Donders joined us. The next time will be on

December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the altered time of 17:30. Don't miss it, because all the board members will be there to listen to any recommendations about CogNito, your life stories and/or to answer any questions.\*

\*Up until a level they are at least still slightly comfortable with.

### **Scientific Movie Night: Memento**

The education committee, known from organising workgroups etc., recently scored big with pizza. Allegedly there was also a lecture on memory disorders and a movie showing, the fascinating Memento. And all this in the comfort of the Donders room in Spinoza.

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### **Upcoming CogNito Events:**

### **Date:**

BoogieBowling Night

Thursday, November 24, 21:00-23:00

CogNito Drinks

Friday, December 2, 17:30-20:00

Advanced Mat(h)lab Drop-in session

Monday, December 12

CogNito Karaoke Night

Thursday, December 15, 21:00-01:00

CogNito Drinks

Friday, January 10

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<b>Upcoming Donders Events:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>DCC lecture Peter Rendell:</b> Can prospective memory and social cognition sometimes be spared aging?	Tuesday, November 15, 12:30-13:30. Donders Room(Spinoza A00.07)
<b>DCC lecture Gareth Barnes:</b> Moving towards wearable functional and structural imaging systems	Tuesday, November 22, 12:30-13:30 Donders Room(Spinoza A00.07)
<b>DCCN Colloquium Nikolaus Weiskopf:</b> Characterizing Brain Microstructure Using MRI – Towards In-Vivo Histology (hMRI)	Thursday, November 24, 13:45-14:45 DCCN, Red Room
<b>Donders Hackathon:</b> Develop innovative brain-inspired software solutions for education in 24 hours.	Saturday, November 26 – Sunday, November 27. DCCN.
<b>Open day research master Cognitive Neuroscience</b>	Monday, November 28, 13:00 – 17:00 DCCN, Red Room
<b>DCCN Colloquium Peter Dayan:</b> Towards a computational psychiatry of depression: components and combinations	Wednesday November 30, 09:00-10:00. DCCN
<b>Computational Psychiatry (Symposium)</b>	Wednesday, November 30 – Thursday, December 1
<b>DCC lecture Guy Vingerhoets:</b> topic to be announced	Tuesday, December 2, 12:30-13:30

For more information see: <http://www.ru.nl/donders/agenda-news/agenda/>

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## New Committee

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We are looking for some creative minds to join a design workgroup for CogNito. The main goal of this workgroup is to create a logo and design a website, but if you have other ideas you are free to explore them! You could for example design a

CogNito t-shirt or create logos for the separate committees, anything you want. If you would like to join this workgroup you can send an email to [boardcognito@gmail.com](mailto:boardcognito@gmail.com). Thanks!

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## Fun fact

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Did you know that Helium, the element used in many different technologies like our own MRI and MEG scanners, cannot be artificially manufactured (yet) and is slowly depleting?

Some sources say that we have 25-30 years of brain scanning left before Helium runs out. Consider that the next time you think it is funny to speak with a squeaky voice!

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