EUROPEAN HEADACHE FEDERATION - SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES (SAS)
October 15/16, 2026, Vienna, Austria

EHF-SAS is dedicated to physicians and researchers seeking to improve their clinical expertise and stay informed about the latest research developments in migraine. This gathering offers young clinicians and basic scientists high-quality educational activities that encourage their critical thinking and skills to manage the complexities of clinical headache medicine from a multidisciplinary perspective.

The number of participants is limited to 25. Preferred and ideal candidates must demonstrate their qualifications through the online application form to be considered for admission as Junior Fellows of the EHF-SAS.

Applications, including a CV with a publication list (if any) and a letter of motivation and a support letter, must be submitted to the organising secretariat. Attendees of previous EHF-SAS meetings are not eligible to apply.

The EHF-SAS will provide full bursaries that cover travel, accommodation, and meals.

INFORMATION

Lectures will last 30 minutes, followed by 15 minutes of interactive discussion. Attendees will be invited to participate in preparing SAS Invited Reviews to be submitted to The Journal of Headache and Pain. SAS fellows will be exempt from the registration fee and will be awarded a Diploma during the SAS session of the EHC2026 in Berlin.

VENUE

Peak Vienna
Florisdorfer Hauptstraße 1
Vienna

ORGANIZING SECRETARIAT

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Title: From Bedside to Research

October 15th- DAY 1 09:00-18:00

REGISTRATION 08:00-09:00

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION
Christian Lampl (Director of SAS) & Antoinette Maassen van den Brink (Past-President of EHF)

Update on Migraine Pathophysiology
Antoinette Maassen van den Brink

CGRP-Targeted Therapies – A Discussion between Basic and Clinical scientist
Messoud Ashina & Antoinette Maassen van den Brink

PACAP – The Story Behind and a New Hope?
Messoud Ashina

Short Break – 10 Minutes

PROMS – Understanding Patient-Reported Outcome Measures
Raquel Gil Gouveia

Lunch (approx. 01:00-02:00 pm)

The Interictal State of Migraine
Christian Lampl

Posttraumatic Headache – What we Know and Don't
Alicia González Martínez

Cluster Headache – What we don´t Know
Rolf Fronczek

Short Break – 10 Minutes

Latest Developments in the Treatment of TACs
Esme Ekizoglu

How to Write a Scientific Paper

Gianluca Coppola

The Sense and Nonsense of the Classification System

Discussion round:
Messoud Ashina, Raquel Gil Gouveia, Antoinette Maassen van den Brink, Christian Lampl

19:30 Dinner

October 16th – Day 2 09:00-12:00

Migraine and Cardiovascular Risk: Myths, Facts and Future Directions
Tobias Kurth

Trigeminal Neuralgia
Kristina Ryliskiené

The Link between Metabolic Disorders and Migraine
Antoinette Maassen van den Brink

Old Prophylactics vs new Treatment Options – A Critical View
Dimos D Mitsikostas

Lunch (approx. 1:00 - 2:00 pm)

SAS WRITING GROUP (on invitation and previous confirmation by the SAS director only)

Review TOPIC: TBA
Members: Christian Lampl, Antoinette Maassen van den Brink

Closing of SAS approx. 05:00 pm
Christian Lampl (Director of SAS)

Individual departure and dinner

FACULTY

Messoud Ashina, Copenhagen, Denmark
Gianluca Coppola, Rome, Italy
Raquel Gil Gouveia, Lisbon, Portugal
Esme Ekizoglu, Istanbul, Türkiye
Rolf Fronczek, Leiden, The Netherlands
Alicia González Martínez, Madrid, Spain
Tobias Kurth, Berlin, Germany
Christian Lampl, Linz, Austria
Antoinette Maassen van den Brink, Rotterdam, The Netherlands
Dimos Dimitrios Mitsikostas, Athens, Greece
Kristina Ryliskiené, Vilnius, Lithuania