

**RIKEN Europe symposium 2024**  
**Science and technologies, platforms and collaboration**  
**for researching human physiology and diseases:**  
**“Enabling Organoids”**

Place : Square Brussels  
 Mont des Arts, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium

Date : Wednesday, 14 February 2024

Time : 9:00 – 12:30 + networking lunch

Registration: <https://krs4.riken.jp/m?f=43>

Participation is free of charge, with mandatory registration

**Background:**

As Japan’s leading comprehensive scientific research institute, RIKEN pursues scientific research in a wide range of research fields and develops/operates research infrastructure. RIKEN is currently reforming its research systems to make internal platforms more connected in an organic manner, with the goal of achieving more integrated and transdisciplinary sciences. At this RIKEN Europe symposium, we highlight RIKEN’s systems, taking organoids as a concrete example. Among other things, we will discuss RIKEN’s approach to and strengths in research, existing and potential collaborations, significance and opportunities of international cooperation, and the facilitation of brain circulation.

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**Programme:**

MC: Dr. ICHIOKA Toshiyasu, Director, RIKEN Europe Office

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda/title</b>	<b>Speakers</b>
8:30-9:00	Registration and coffee/tea	
<b>Opening</b>		
9:00-9:15	Opening remarks	Dr. NAKA Makiko, Executive Director, RIKEN HE AIKAWA Kazutoshi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Mission of Japan to the European Union
<b>Keynote addresses</b>		
9:15-9:35	Keynote address Europe 1	
9:35-9:55	Keynote address RIKEN	Dr. MORIMOTO Mitsuru, RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research (BDR), RIKEN
9:55-10:15	Keynote address Europe 2	Dr. Nan MA, Helmholtz-Zentrum Hereon
10:15-10:45	Group photo and break	
<b>Gaining a better understanding of humans</b>		
10:45-10:55	Slot A1 RIKEN PI	Dr. TAKASATO Minoru, RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research (BDR), RIKEN
10:55-11:05	Slot B1 Enabling technologies / platforms	Dr. Jean-Charles DUCLOS-VALLÉE, Director, Inserm Unit UMR-1193 "Physiopathogenesis and Treatment of Liver Diseases", INSERM
11:05-11:15	Slot C1 RIKEN Alumni or European partner/project	Dr. Florian HALBRITTER, Principal Investigator, St. Anna Children's Cancer Research Institute (CCRI)
<b>Contributing to curing diseases</b>		
11:15-11:30	<u>Slot A2 RIKEN PI</u>	Dr. OHNO Hiroshi, RIKEN Center for Integrative Medical Sciences (IMS)
11:30-11:40	<u>Slot B2 Enabling technologies / platforms</u>	Dr. KOIZUMI Tomonobu, Portfolio Manager, RIKEN Program for Drug Discovery and Medical

		Technology Platforms (DMP), RIKEN
11:40-11:50	Slot C2 RIKEN Alumni or European partner/project	
<b>Microengineering for organoids and activities toward standardisation</b>		
11:50-12:00	Slot A3 RIKEN PI	Dr. TANAKA Nobuyuki, RIKEN Scientist, RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research (BDR), RIKEN
12:00-12:10	Slot B3 Enabling technologies / platforms	Dr. Dries BRAEKEN, R&D Manager, imec
12:10-12:20	Slot C3: Standardisation of emerging technologies	Dr. Milena MENNECOZZI, Scientific Project Officer, Joint Research Centre (JRC)
<b>Closing</b>		
12:20-12:30	Concluding remarks	Mr. Jens WILKINSON, Manager, International Affairs Division, RIKEN

<b>Networking lunch</b>		
12:30 - 14:00	Networking lunch	