

# International Scientific Conference on Auto-Induced Cognitive Trance 2<sup>nd</sup> edition

Hybrid

Marc Jeannerod Institute for Cognitive Sciences,



**The TranceScience Research Institute organises the second edition of its Scientific Conference on Auto-Induced Cognitive Trance on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>, Friday 19<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2026.**

This conference is a hybrid event: a limited number of seats are available for in-person attendance, with priority given to clinical and research professionals. The entire conference will also be accessible remotely on digital, with a progressive fee dependent on the number of days of access.

This event brings together researchers and clinicians engaged in research on AICT and its applications. The aim of these three days is to promote the sharing of results and discussions regarding projects and research perspectives on the mechanisms, effects, and potential applications of AICT. Speakers at this conference will present their work and research perspectives through presentations organised into several thematic sessions, such as:

- Physiological and behavioural effects of AICT
- AICT, voice, creativity
- Phenomenology of the AICT state
- Pilot studies and clinical perspectives
- Tools and methodological frameworks for the study of AICT
- Philosophical and anthropological perspectives on trance states
- AICT and therapeutic alliance
- Clinical studies and case studies

We are providing digital simultaneous interpreting/subtitling service for both on-site and remote participants (free of charge). This interpreting service will require the use of a smartphone (or computer) with an internet connection and headphones (not provided).

## Practical information

### Registration

- Registration requests for in-person attendance will be open from Monday 27 April to Monday 1 June inclusive.
  - Registration for digital attendance will be open from Monday 27 April to Tuesday 16 June inclusive.
- [Link to the Registration form](#)

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## 📅 Registration fees:

- **In-person attendance:** research staff and clinical professionals have priority  
Free registration upon request via the online form (limited seats).
- **Digital attendance:** open to all.  
One-day digital access (Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> or Friday 19<sup>th</sup>) – €49  
Full event digital access (Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> & Friday 19<sup>th</sup>) – €70  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> is not available in digital access.

## 📍 Venues

- **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June:** Auditorium of the Marc Jeannerod Institute for Cognitive Sciences – *Institut des Sciences Cognitives Marc Jeannerod, 67 Boulevard Pinel, 69500 BRON.*
- **Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>:** TranceLab & TranceScience Institutes – *Instituts de formation TranceLab et de Recherche TranceScience, 162 Avenue Jean-Jaurès, 69007 Lyon*

## 🍽️ On-site catering – upon reservation

- The reservation of lunch boxes (€15.90 per lunch) will be available for **lunches on Thursday 18th and Friday 19th June.**  
➔ **Reservations and meal types (omnivorous or vegetarian) will be proposed upon registration.**

## 📅 Programme – preliminary and susceptible to evolve –

### Thursday 18 June

8.30 – 9.30 A.M. **Attendees reception**

9.30 A.M. TranceScience Research Institute's President Foreword  
*François Féron*

9.40 – 10.30 A.M. Opening Plenary Session  
*Steven Laureys*

10.30 – 10.45 A.M. | Break |

10.45 A.M. – 12.05 1<sup>st</sup> thematic session: Physiological and behavioural effects of AICT (non-clinical)

12.05 – 1.30 P.M. | Lunch break |

1.30 – 2.30 P.M. 2<sup>nd</sup> thematic session: AICT, voice, creativity

2.30 – 2.50 P.M. | Break |

2.50 – 4.10 P.M. 3<sup>rd</sup> thematic session: Phenomenology of the AICT state

4.10 P.M. **Concluding word**



### Friday 19 June

9.00 – 9.30 A.M. **Attendees reception**

9.30 – 10.20 A.M. 2<sup>nd</sup> day Opening Plenary Session  
*Timo Schmidt*

10.20 – 10.45 A.M. | Break |

10.45 – 11.45 A.M. 4<sup>th</sup> thematic session: Pilot studies and clinical perspectives

11.45 – 1.30 P.M. | Lunch break I

1.30 – 2.10 P.M. 5<sup>th</sup> thematic session: Tools and methodological frameworks for the study of AICT

2.10 – 2.50 P.M. 6<sup>th</sup> thematic session: Ongoing clinical studies

2.50 – 3.20 P.M. | Break I

3.20 – 4.20 P.M. 7<sup>th</sup> thematic session: Philosophical and anthropological perspectives on trance states

4.30 – 5.00 P.M. 2<sup>nd</sup> day Concluding Plenary Session  
*Rick Harris (remote)*

5.00 P.M. Concluding word



## Saturday 20 June

9.00 – 9.30 A.M. Attendees reception

9.30 – 10.00 A.M. 3<sup>rd</sup> day Opening Plenary Session  
*Upcoming*

10.00 – 10.15 A.M. | Break I

10.15 – 10.55 A.M. 8<sup>th</sup> thematic session: AICT & therapeutic alliance

10.55 A.M. – 12.15 9<sup>th</sup> thematic session, 1<sup>ère</sup> part: Clinical case studies

12.15 – 1.30 P.M. | Lunch break I

1.30 – 2.30 P.M. 9<sup>th</sup> thematic session, 2<sup>nd</sup> part: Clinical case studies

2.30 – 2.45 P.M. | Break I

2.45 – 3.15 P.M. Closing Plenary Session  
*François Féron, Audrey Breton, Corine Sombrun*

3.15 – 4.00 P.M. Thematic workshop  
*Upcoming*

4.00 P.M. End of Conference

