

OPENING OF THE FIRST DIOSCURI CENTRES

Tuesday, 17 September 2019
Nencki Institute of
Experimental Biology
in Warsaw



On behalf of the President of the Max Planck Society, we are pleased to invite you to celebrate the inauguration of the first Dioscuri Centres in Poland and to mark the official start of the Dioscuri Programme with us. The opening ceremony will be held at the Nencki Institute of Experimental Biology, where the first two Dioscuri Centres are being established.

Dioscuri was devised by the Max Planck Society to support the development of scientific excellence in Central and Eastern Europe by promoting outstanding scientists who want to establish their research group in the form of a Dioscuri Centre. The Programme strives to institute future-oriented research fields and international standards of scientific quality throughout the region, thereby strengthening the European Research Area as a whole.

The Dioscuri Programme is first implemented in Poland, where it is jointly managed by the Max Planck Society (MPG) and the Polish National Science Centre (NCN), and funded equally by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education (MNiSW).

Registration

We kindly ask you to indicate whether you or a representative will be attending the event until 6 September 2019 using the following link: https://lotus2.gwdg.de/mpg/mmgv/2019_dioscuri_openingceremony.nsf/registration

If you have any questions concerning the event or the registration, please contact the Dioscuri Office: dioscuri@gv.mpg.de

PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 17 September 2019, 3.00 p.m.

Official Welcome

Prof. Agnieszka Dobrzyń, Director of the Nencki Institute

Jarosław Gowin, Minister of Science and Higher Education, Poland

Anja Karliczek, Federal Minister of Education and Research, Germany

Speeches

Prof. Martin Stratmann, President of the Max Planck Society

Prof. Zbigniew Błocki, Director of the National Science Centre

Panel Discussion

“International Research Careers: Brain Circulation and the Path towards
Excellence in Central and Eastern Europe”

Introductory Remarks **Prof. Joachim Sauer**, Chair of the Dioscuri Committee

Dr. Aleksandra Pekowska, Dioscuri Centre Leader

Dr. Grzegorz Sumara, Dioscuri Centre Leader

Featuring **Prof. Martin Stratmann**

Moderation **Dr. Sławomir Zagórski**

Followed by a reception (4.30 until 6.00 p.m.)