

International Association for Near-Death Studies to Host European/African Symposium on Near-Death Experiences October 31

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EINPresswire.com/ -- The [International Association for Near-Death Studies](https://www.iannds.org/) will host its second European/African Symposium on Near-Death Experiences Saturday, October 31, 2026 via Zoom.



The four-hour event begins at 14:00 Central European Time or 9 am EDT. Four Europeans who have had near-death experiences will share their compelling, personal stories. They include Gina Lindroos of Sweden; Candice Purchase of South Africa; Lasse Gustavson of Sweden; and Rainer Sturm of Germany.

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Two leading European scientists will also discuss their research. Nurse, researcher and author Dr. Penny Sartori will discuss her pioneering work conducting hospital-based research into NDEs, while Professor Patrizio Tressoldi, senior researcher at the University of Padua in Italy, will explore scientific approaches to mapping the afterlife.

Presentations will be delivered in English. Conference times across various zones are: 14:00-18:00 Brussels (CET) EU; 13:00-17:00 London (GMT) UK; 3:00-7:00 pm Jo'burg (SAST) SA; 9 am - 1 pm (EDT).

Ticket prices are: \$12 for IANDS Basic Members; \$12 for members of our local European NDE groups with a coupon code given by your local IANDS organization; \$6 for members of the South African NDE group with another coupon code given by the IANDS organization in South Africa. Non-IANDS members pay \$12 for Early Bird registration before October 4 (use the code EUROSVM26EARLY) and \$24 October 4 or later. To purchase tickets, [click here](https://www.iannds.org/).

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growing and we are eager to satisfy that interest with our European/African Symposium,” said IANDS Vice President Bob Coppes, Ph.D. of The Netherlands. “We hope that people around the world will join this important event and be informed and inspired.” Coppes organized the symposium with Dani Foffa of Italy, Cliff Green of Sweden, and Harold Harbers of the Netherlands.

As a Durham, North Carolina-based educational nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, IANDS focuses its resources on providing the highest quality information available about NDE-related subjects. IANDS’s purpose is to promote responsible, multi-disciplinary exploration of near-death and similar experiences, their effects on people’s lives, and their implications for beliefs about life, death, and human purpose. It is the only membership group of its kind with local groups all over the world. IANDS also hosts an annual conference attended by nearly a thousand people.

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