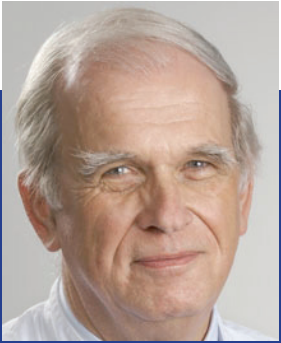


## The Presidents



1997\_ Jan van Gijn  
Utrecht, The Netherlands

### 1. Reasons for joining the ENS

I am a convinced and card-carrying European – I often feel as much French, German, Italian, English, Polish and what have you as I feel Dutch. Even as a student I visited other European countries for medical training.

### 2. On the values and missions of the ENS

To give young European neurologists the opportunity to be taught by the best European teachers and to meet each other.

### 3. Important achievements during my presidency

I do not wish to make personal claims – all actions were collective, with most efforts from Gérard Said and Andreas Steck. The main aims we achieved were firstly continued expansion of the quality of teaching and scientific exchange and secondly the creation of an organisational structure that keeps active neurologists in the lead (retired is retired).