



# The Gateway to Vision Research in Europe

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## As part of the EuroVisionNet project under the umbrella of European Vision Institute

The development and implementation of this webbased platform is the core of a coordination project funded by the European Union Research Programme [FP7]: „EuroVisionNet“.

The EuroVisionNet project started in March 2008 and aims to address the following major challenges:

- Better definition and acceptance of vision research in the scientific community and in society
- To overcome the continued fragmentation of European research
- To reduce duplication of research efforts
- To increase communication between clinical and basic researchers
- To foster collaboration between academic research and industry
- To support clarity regarding national and international policy mandates relating to clinical research activities

The portal will accompany and support these major purposes linking the research activities within Europe, improving their transparency and stimulating the communication between researchers, patients, general public and private sectors.

The EuroVisionNet project is designed to function under the umbrella organisation, the European Vision Institute (EVI **EEIG**) that services the vision research community including the clinical and scientific settings, patient organization and industry.



EuroVisionNet is an initiative of the European Vision Institute EEIG



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## What is the „Gateway to Vision Research in Europe“?

The „Vision Research Gateway“ is a **new web-based portal** service for the European vision research community and major stakeholders.

## Why does the European Vision Research community need it?

The development of such an instrument fulfills the need to give this community **sharper visibility**, a **consolidated profile** and at the same time underlines the **importance of its work** in science and in society. Further this web-based portal will **stimulate the communication** between basic researchers, clinicians, politicians, patient organisations and industry. At the same time it **combats** the community's **fragmentation** and **increases the transparency** of its activities.

## For whom does the portal work?

For you!

And also for a lot of other people involved in vision research.

You do not need to be a participant of the EuroVisionNet\* project or a member of EVI *EEIG*\* to have **free access** to the portal and to profit from the **offered features**. If you have any request or you want to **present your research group, your institution and your projects**, please contact us. The same applies, if you are working in the industry or if you are involved in a patient organisation or in a ophthalmological organisation.

We look forward to hearing from you!

*\*For further details, please refer to the back page*

## The place to be

The **European Union**, supports the idea of the **EuroVisionNet portal** and **offers** the European vision research community a **unique opportunity** to increase its acceptance and its visibility, to consolidate its profile and to win recognition in the scientific community and in society generally.

## Be there or nowhere!

Do not throw away this incomparable chance to professionally present yourself to an appropriate, large public. If you do not do it now, you could miss out!

**By using it, you will actively participate in the development of a powerful instrument in service for the European vision research community.**



## Planned features:

- Easy online access for the publication of your dates of meetings, conferences, exhibition, event, workshops and lectures
- Easy online access for the publication of your vacancies and job opportunities
- Search and query tool - also by countries and by topics
- Communication platform, e.g. bulletin board available in different categories for different topics and chat rooms
- Wikis
- A really Simple Syndication (RSS) feed for automation of news
- Multimedia-based rendering of lectures, workshops and of interviews
- Newsletters registration for different categories, i.e patient organisations, research community, EU policy
- Breaking news and trends in different categories
- Recent publications
- “Institute in Focus”, “Young Researcher in Focus” & “Point in Focus”: An event, a publication, a medicine, a therapy or a ... trend
- “Visionary of the Quarter”: This rubric will present a person with visions e.g. scientists, politicians or people in industry

- Institutes
- Researchers
- Research groups
- National and European patient organisations
- Projects
- National and European ophthalmological organisations
- Companies