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# Europe Biobank Week

Biobanking for Health Innovation

September 13-16, 2016 | Vienna, Austria



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# Welcome to the Europe Biobank Week - “Biobanking for Health Innovation”

According to the OECD, biobanks are an essential part of the infrastructure underpinning the life sciences and biotechnology. They have the potential for a substantial impact on the economic growth and improvement of healthcare. Tomorrow's biobank challenges call for a transition to a new innovative and integrated approach. A step forward that will require fundamental changes in both thinking and acting, including ideas that go beyond an individual organization, but affect the full chain of people involved.

With this in mind BBRMI-ERIC and ESBB are pleased to announce that a result of their strategic alliance is a jointly organized conference: The Europe Biobank Week.

Central theme for the first event that will take place from September 13–16, 2016 in Vienna, Austria, is “Biobanking for Health Innovation”.

The meeting will be organized in association with the International Biobank Summit and the BBRMI-LPC Forum Meeting 2016. BBRMI.at will serve as local organizer.

The Europe Biobank Week is the new platform for a strong debate and collaboration on activities related to biobanking and biopreservation of samples and data for research and development. Biobanking is a specific European strength having become a fundamental component in addressing the ongoing and future requirements particularly of Europe's health service frameworks including competitiveness and innovativeness of health-related industries. The conference offers keynote lectures, educational sessions and a knowledge-sharing programme. This conference gives a great opportunity to meet biobanking experts from all around the world and to discuss these future issues for biobanking.

We welcome you to Vienna and the Europe Biobank Week,

Jan-Eric Litton  
General Director BBRMI-ERIC

Erik Steinfelder  
President ESBB

## TOPICS

- **Innovative concepts and ideas for biobanking - Pitch your innovation concept**  
A roadshow of innovative ideas/concepts related to biobanking - for biobanks, from biobanks, with biobanks
- **Putting patients into the center of the health innovation process**
  - New concepts and tools for public engagement
  - Ethics café in a classical Viennese coffee house
- **Data in biobanking - An emerging new era for data management**
  - Medical imaging and biobanking
  - Data protection legislation
- **Building bridges through biomarkers**
  - Biobanks for biomarker validation
  - How biobanks support companion diagnostics development
- **4th BBRMI-LPC Forum (September 15-16)**  
A communication platform between emerging biobanks from Eastern Europe and established biobanks
- **International Biobanking Summit V (IBS V)**  
Harmonizing privacy laws for international biobank research

## LOCATION

Messe Wien Congress Center  
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