

# EATRIS Conference

From Basic Research To Medical Innovation



7 – 8 October 2010  
Rome, Italy



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## EATRIS

European  
Advanced Translational  
Research Infrastructure in Medicine

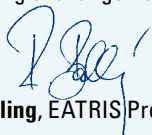


## Greeting

Dear Participants ,

We are very excited that the European Commission has launched a program to support infrastructures for the biomedical sciences. After three years of frequent exchange and intense work, we are happy to present the EATRIS Infrastructure concept for the first time. Our goal is to establish a pan-European infrastructure for biomedical translational research, providing researchers open access to state-of-the-art facilities, training and supporting services across Europe. We are committed to making EATRIS a driving force for translational research in Europe which will improve public health by accelerating the development of innovative diagnostics and therapies for the benefit of patients.

On behalf of EATRIS I wish all of you an interesting conference and a stimulating exchange here in Rome.



**Rudi Balling**, EATRIS Project Coordinator

## 7 October 2010 – Rome

Sala Pietro da Cortona, Campidoglio

### 18:00 – 18:30 Opening Ceremony

**Ferruccio Fazio**, Italian Health Minister

**Gianni Alemanno**, Mayor of Rome

**Enrico Garaci**, President, Italian National Institute of Health

### 18:30 – 20:00 Opening Lectures

**Chairpersons: Rudi Balling, Filippo Belardelli**

#### **The new European Innovation Strategy: Chances for Translational Research**

**Ruxandra Draghia-Akli**, Director Directorate Health, DG Research, European Commission

#### **Individualised Therapy: From Dream to Reality**

**Lance A. Liotta**, George Mason-Inova Health System Translational Research Centres, USA

### 20:00 Conference Dinner at Terrazza Caffarelli

## 8 October 2010 – Rome

Ministry of Health

9:00

### Greeting

**Massimo Casciello**, Director General, DG of Technological and Scientific Research, Italian Ministry of Health

### Session I

**Chairpersons: Bo Angelin, Sir Magdi Yacoub**

#### 9:00 – 9:30 **Funding Biomedical Research – An International Institution Perspective**

**Laura Piovesan**, European Investment Bank

#### 9:30 – 10:00 **Infrastructures as a Motor for Research**

**Carlo Rizzuto**, Chair European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures, ESFRI

#### 10:00 – 10:45 **Access to Translational Infrastructure – Giving Europe a Competitive Edge**

**Rudi Balling**, EATRIS Project Coordinator, Director Luxembourg Centre for Systems Biomedicine

#### 10:45 - 11:15 **Coffee Break**

### Session II

**Chairpersons: Peter Luijten, Filippo Belardelli**

#### 11:15 – 11:45 **Translational Research – Needs and Benefits from the Industrial Perspective**

**Sverker Ljunghall**, Vice President Science Relations, Astra Zeneca

#### 11:45 – 12:15 **Importance of Innovative Translational Research for Patients**

**Françoise Rouault**, French Muscular Dystrophy Association (AFM)

#### 12:15 – 12:45 **Finding New Ways for Regulatory Solutions**

**Christian Schneider**, Chair EMA Committee for Advanced Therapies

#### 12:45 – 13:15 **Present and Outlook in Translational Research**

**Francesco Marincola**, Chief Immunogenetics, NIH Clinical Center, Bethesda, Maryland, USA

### Summary and Closure of the Meeting followed by a Light Lunch

14:30

### Press Conference



## Conference Venue

The EATRIS Conference "From Basic Research to Medical Innovation" will be opened in the evening of 7 October 2010 at the Pietro da Cortona Hall at the Musei Capitolini in the Michelangelo-designed Piazza del Campidoglio. This is followed by the conference dinner at Terrazza Caffarelli where the participants will enjoy the nightly panorama of Rome from the top of the Capitoline Hill, one of Rome's famous seven hills.

The conference will be continued on 8 October at the Italian Ministry of Health. Bus shuttles for conference participants will be organized to reach the conference locations and hotels conveniently.

## Scientific Committee

Bo Angelin ■ Rudi Balling ■ Filippo Belardelli  
Peter Luijten ■ Sir Magdi Yacoub

## Registration

Prior registration is requested. Please note that no accreditation on the day of the event will be possible. For further information, please contact:

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