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# EBRA NEWSLETTER

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## Introduction

The **European Brain Research Area** project — **EBRA** — was created as a catalysing initiative for brain research stakeholders (researchers, clinicians, patients, governments, funders and public institutions) to streamline and better co-ordinate brain research across Europe while fostering global initiatives.

## EBRA News



Manager at the European Brain Council (EBRA Coordinator), presented various aspects of the project: introducing the EBRA project as a whole, providing an overview of the landscape analysis results, insight into the Shared European Brain Research Agenda and the various activities of the 4 EBRA clusters.

The presentation video is available [here](#).

# FENS 2020 Virtual Forum

## 11-15 July 2020

EBRA held a [virtual presentation](#) at the bi-annual Federation of European Neuroscience Society (FENS) Forum on the topic of **Promoting and enhancing collaboration in brain research** on 13 July, highlighting the importance of creating partnerships within brain research. The event brought together members of the clusters of the project, giving them the chance to show their works to a wider audience and giving a deeper look in their goals and objectives.

The event was moderated by **Frédéric Destrebecq**, [EBC](#) Executive Director, and involved **Dr Kristien Aarts**, EBC Project Manager; **Prof. David Henshall**, [EPI-CLUSTER](#); **Prof. Ole Andreassen**, [PSMD CLUSTER](#); **Mirko Manchia**, [PSMD CLUSTER](#); **Suzanne Dickson**, [BRAINFOOD CLUSTER](#), and **R.A.H. Adan**, [BRAINFOOD CLUSTER](#).



life examples with a focus on topics such as systematic reviews & the quality of research.



EBRA showcased the last developments of the project at the [33th ECNP Virtual Congress](#) with an interactive e-poster and two live sessions.



EBRA was showcased during the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA75) at the European Brain Council's ScienceDigital@UNGA75 side session on [global collaboration in science](#).



Prof Monica Di Luca, EBC President, [released a contribution](#) in the Open Access Government magazine on the importance of brain research,



A 2-day discussion was held on 26-27 November with experts, researchers and stakeholders to discuss the Shared Brain Research Agenda (SEBRA).



During the Brain Innovation Days Digital Launch on 13 October, the audience highlighted the importance of collaboration linked to the innovation of brain research. EBRA [commented on this outcome](#) in an article.

## EBRA Cluster Updates

### IBRO Interview

Dr. Mara Dierssen  
EBRA Trisomy 21  
Research Cluster



cluster, to emphasize the importance of European and global coordination of research in Down Syndrome.



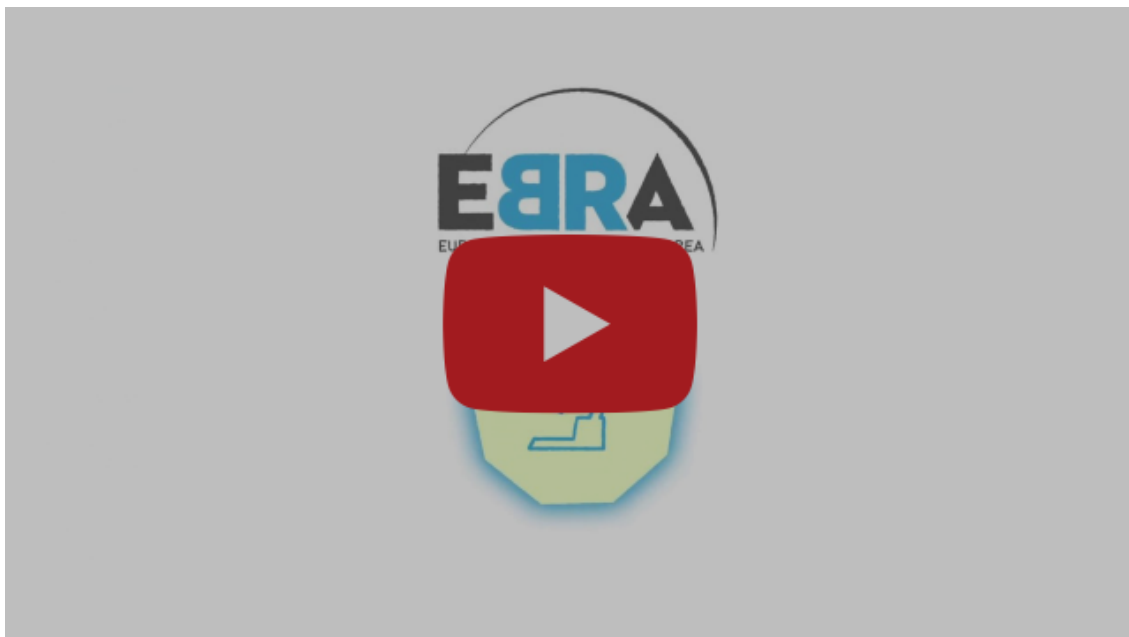
## EBRA TRISOMY21-CLUSTER

Consensus Meeting

November 12th, 2020

On 12 November, the EBRA cluster Trisomy-21 held a successful [consensus meeting](#), gathering stakeholders and patient associations to address challenges of research funding, knowledge of existing infrastructures and much more.

## Learn more about EBRA



What exactly is the EBRA project trying to achieve? Watch the [EBRA project video](#) to learn more about the project! The video showcases not only the project as a whole, but also the various ongoing activities: clusters, brain research mapping and the Shared European Brain Research Agenda.

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## [Brain Innovation Days: From Innovative Ideas to Creative Brain Interventions](#)

26 January 2021

*Virtual*

ERA-NET NEURON Cofund2 meeting

27 January 2021

## [European Life After Stroke Forum](#)

12 March 2021

*Virtual*

## [EPA Congress](#)

10-13 April 2021

*Virtual*

## [EAN 7th Congress](#)

19-22 June 2021

*Virtual*

## [FENS Regional Meeting](#)

25-27 August 2021

*Virtual*

## [ECNP Congress](#)

2-5 October 2021

*Lisbon (Portugal)*

## [EANS Congress](#)

3-7 October 2021

*Hamburg (Germany)*



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