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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 Highlights**



#### **Predictive Model Systems Cluster**

The primary objective of the Predictive Model Systems (PREMOS) cluster is to enhance the alignment of EU disease model development resources and preclinical research expertise with clinical and brain research community needs across academia and industry.

#### **European Cluster for Imaging Biomarkers**

The European Cluster for Imaging Biomarkers (ECIB) forges a complimentary and synergetic harmonization alliance across major European consortia, networks and platforms engaged in multicentric collection, curation, transfer, and analysis of "big-imaging-data". Our ambition is to achieve transformative leaps in the translation of "big-imaging-data"-research into scientific and medical innovations by creating critical synergies between neuroimaging projects at both European and global level. In the big picture, we aspire to become instrumental in unlocking the full potential of new tools, technologies, and digital solutions for a healthy society.

### **Events**



On 26th January EBRA held with ERA-NET NEURON a workshop on "Neuroethics and Quality assurance in research."

Read the <u>final report</u> or watch the <u>full</u> video.



On the 17<sup>th</sup> of March 2021, the European Brain Research Area (EBRA) workshop "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Data Sharing" took place virtually.

For more information, we invite you to check out the <u>workshop booklet</u>, the <u>report</u> and the <u>recording</u>.





promoting and embedding patient engagement within its work during the event on "Patient Engagement in EU-Funded Brain Research Projects", organised by EBRA coordinator European Brain Council and 3rd Parties GAMIAN-Europe and EFNA.

EBRA at the "ERA-NET NEURON Cofund2" Meeting.



EBRA presented a workshop on European Brain Research Area: A Catalysing Initiative for Brain Research Stakeholders Streamline Brain Research across Europe" in the context of the 29th European Congress Psychiatry. EBRA presented the activities and goals of the projects with **BRAINFOOD** and TRISOMY21 clusters.

EBRA brochure and material were also available at the EBC virtual booth.

# ean virtual congress 2021

EBRA was present at the 7th Congress of the European Academy of Neurology with a special session on 22nd June. The programme included an introduction to EBRA and SEBRA and a round table with partners and clusters.

# Shared European Brain Research Agenda



The European Academy of Neurology featured EBRA's work on a Shared European Brain Research Agenda (SEBRA) within the EAN Pages as well as on their website this week in an article on the future of brain research.

Read the full article.

## **Clusters**



Have you always wondered how the EBRA cluster selection process was carried out?

We have prepared a short video that explains it all! Watch it here.

As part of its first activity, the PREMOS EBRA cluster held its first working group meeting on the translational value of animal models on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Read more.





On 26 March, on the occasion of the Epilepsy Day, the EBRA cluster EPICLUSTER — working to establish a collaborative framework for the coordinated actions of epilepsy research in Europe — published the final report of 2 activities held in 2020.

Read the documents on their page.



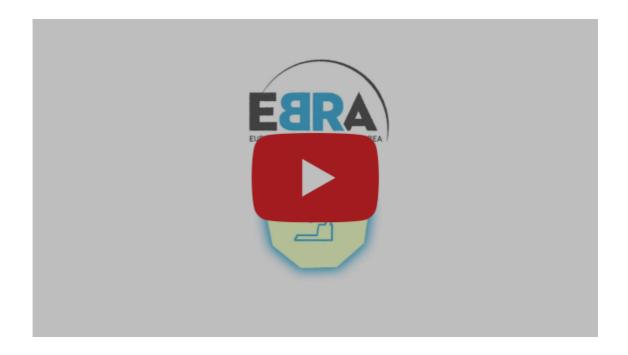
The cluster in Prevention of Severe Mental Disorders (PSMD), coordinated by Prof. Paolo Fusar-Poli and Prof. Ole A. Andreassen, undertook the important initiative of organizing a two-day workshop on the ethics of precision psychiatry (23 24 February 2021). The workshop involved key leaders from different professional backgrounds (day 1) and stakeholders (including individuals with lived experiences, day 2) and gathered consensus on a core blueprint to advance ethics of precision psychiatry. The output of this workshop will consist of a white paper presenting a critical review of the evidence and practical recommendations to manage ethical barriers to precision and preventive psychiatry.

## **Discover our clusters**

All the information you were looking for on clusters gathered on one page: now each cluster has its <u>own page</u> with a fresher and more user-friendly look.

Keep an eye on your relevant cluster page to stay up-to-date with the latest activities. For everything else, discover the other areas of the site such as the <u>upcoming events</u> or the <u>digital materials</u> to make sure you don't miss out on anything happening around EBRA and its clusters.

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# For Your Agenda

SEBRA Presentation, FENS Regional Meeting

25-27 August 2021

Virtual

#### **ECNP Congress**

2-5 October 2021

Lisbon (Portugal)

#### **EANS Congress**

3-7 October 2021

Hamburg (Germany)

#### **Brain Innovation Days**

12-13 October 2021

Brussels (Belgium)







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