

Procurement for Visual Impaired People

Open market consultations to meet the Industry

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PRO4VIP is an European network of healthcare procurers and innovation policy makers that addresses the problem of visual impairment and develops a joint innovation procurement roadmap for novel cost-effective clinical devices and assistive technologies for partially-sighted people. PRO4VIP project partners organize two open market consultations to meet the EU industry and analyse the technology state-of-the-art in the field. The technical dialogue, conceived as a proactive analysis of supply markets, will be focused on concrete and common innovation needs expressed by clinicians and partially-sighted people during 2016 in a series of focus groups across EU. PRO4VIP is interested to find out whether technologies are commercially available and acquire information about the coverage of the desired functionalities and performances, as well as the potential area of innovation for the development of new technologies in the field. Through the open market consultations the partners will gather information to support decision makers, procurers and potential investors. The Italian event, targeted to partially-sighted persons' unfulfilled needs the second one will be in Barcelona and will target the clinical needs.

THE UNFULFILLED NEED FOR NEW SUPPORTIVE TECHNOLOGIES OF PARTIALLY-SIGHTED PERSONS

VENUE: TRIESTE, ISTITUTO REGIONALE RITTMEYER PER I CIECHI, VIALE MIRAMARE, 119

10.00 Opening

Hubert Perfler - President of the Istituto Regionale Rittmeyer per i ciechi

Vincenzo Zoccano - President of the Regional Committee of people with disabilities and member of the board of UCI (Italian Blind Union)

10.10 The PRO4Vip Project: achievements and next steps to be carried out

Stefano Borella - Regione Autonoma Friuli Venezia Giulia

10.25 How to support innovation through public demand

10.40 Goals and expected outputs of the local market event Sara Bedin - Innovation Procurement Expert

10.50 What partially-sighted people desire: common needs emerged from the focus groups across EU

Barbara Krejci Piry - EBU low vision network

11.20 Coffee break and networking

11.35 Main outcomes from the analysis on the technologies for low vision people

Michela Cinello, Cinzia Fiorini - AREA Science Park

11.50 Technical dialogue with the market

Moderators: Michela Cinello, Cinzia Fiorini

Linari Engineering S.r.l. - Stefano Linari, Francesca Tinelli (IRCCS Fondazione Stella Maris, Pisa)

TifloSystem S.r.l. - Gabriele Ronca

Other SMEs active in the field of visual impairment

12.40 Debate and questions

13.00 Final conclusions and remarks

Michela Cinello, Cinzia Fiorini - AREA Science Park

13.10 Light lunch and networking

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Working language: **English** Maximum number of participants: **40**

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