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TUESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2025

08:30-09:45 | AUDITORIUM

LOW VISION ORGANIZATIONS AND SERVICES: INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCES - MODELS OF VISION REHABILITATION CARE WORLDWIDE

Chairs: **Andrew Jonathan Jackson** (*Ireland*), **Ruth Van Nispen** (*The Netherlands*)

08:30 Keynote Lecture: A view on VISION 2025
Gianni Virgili (*Italy*)

08:50 A view on successes and failures of eye health programmers in LMIC
Silvio Paolo Mariotti (*Switzerland*)

09:00 Vision rehabilitation and eye care in low and middle-income countries (LMICs)
Yasmin Sumrana (*Pakistan*)

09:10 Comprehensive care for the visually impaired population in South America and development of tertiary service models in visual rehabilitation
Maria Haddad (*Brazil*)

09:20 Measuring vision impairment and blindness worldwide and the implications of the recent inclusion of effective refractive error coverage into the WHO Results Framework (GPW-14)
Rupert Bourne (*United Kingdom*)

09:30 Systematic approach to low vision: a novel protocol to optimize low vision care in West Africa
Werner Eisenbarth (*Germany*)

09:40 Discussion

09:45-10:30 | EXHIBITION AREA BALLATOI POSTER SESSION - 1A

10:30-11:00 | AUDITORIUM

STITUTIONAL SESSION - PRESIDENTS' SPEECHES

Chairs: **Gislin Dagnelie** (*USA*), **Ruth Van Nispen** (*The Netherlands*)

10:30 President's speech
Ben Thompson (*USA*)

10:38 Title to be defined
Paolo Limoli (*Italy*)

10:46 Title to be defined
Gianni Virgili (*Italy*)



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11:10-12:10 | AUDITORIUM

SOCIAL IMPACT OF VISION IMPAIRMENT AND REFRACTIVE ERROR

Chairs: **Nathan Congdon** (*Ireland*), **TBD**

- 11:10** Reports on social and health issues
TBD
- 11:18** Vision care and improvement general healthcare among the elderly
TBD
- 11:26** Implementing translational research programmes for refractive error in LMIC
Ving Fai Chan (*United Kingdom*)
- 11:34** How to achieve SDGs for refractive error in LMIC
TBD
- 11:42** Implementation of cataract surgery models in rural China: a 10-year programme
TBD
- 11:50** Update on low vision rehabilitation
TBD
- 11:58** Discussion

11:10-12:10 | ROOM VERDE

COURSE ID 36 - FROM THEORY TO PRACTICE: ACTIONABLE STRATEGIES IN NEUROVISUAL REHABILITATION

Organizer: **Jan Koopman** (*The Netherlands*)

Co-organizer: **Joost Heutink** (*The Netherlands*)

- 11:10** Navigating the path for patients with neurovisual problems: screening, support, and timely referrals
Jan Koopman (*The Netherlands*)
- 11:26** On the art, necessity and limitations of neuropsychological assesment in neurovisual rehabilitation
Joost Heutink (*The Netherlands*)
- 11:42** Navigating neuro-visual rehabilitation: from theory to practice
Vera Linde Dol (*The Netherlands*)
- 11:58** Discussion

11:10-12:10 | LIMONAIA

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MISCELLANEA OR ABSTRACT TOPIC ABOUT - PART 2



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OPTICAL PRESCRIPTIONS FOR LOW VISION

ChairS: **Massimiliano Parmini** (*Italy*), **Catello Scarfato** (*Italy*)

- 11:10** Mastering high power lenses and prism technology. Consideration on aberrations and lens centering
Luca Benzoni (*Italy*)
- 11:20** Progressive lenses in Low Vision: prismatic prescription and aniseikonia management - a comprehensive approach
Riccardo Cervio (*Italy*)
- 11:30** Aniseikonic management through the effective choice of specific lens parameters: base curve, thickness and vertex distance
TBD
- 11:40** Selective filters for low vision: innovation, functionality, and clinical effectiveness
Simone Santacatterina (*Italy*)
- 11:50** Optical vision aids impact on low vision patients' rehabilitation and quality of life
Andrea Pirota (*Italy*)
- 12:00** Discussion

11:10-12:10 | ROOM 9

ITALIAN REHABILITATION CENTERS ROUND TABLE

12:20-13:20 | AUDITORIUM

COURSE ID 33 - BLURRED LINES: A PANEL ON CLINICAL & ETHICAL DILEMMAS IN LOW VISION REHABILITATION

Organizer: **Katelyn Jordan** (*USA*)

Co-organizer: **Judy Goldstein** (*USA*)

- 12:20** Case presentation: workplace/school accommodations
Suleiman Alibhai (*USA*)
- 12:35** Case Presentation: Driving
Ashley Deemer (*USA*)
- 12:50** Case Presentation: Surgical recommendations in end stage eye disease.
Judy Goldstein (*USA*)
- 13:05** Panel discussion
Katelyn Jordan (*USA*)



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COURSE ID 61 - EVIDENCE-BASED CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES FOR SCREENING, ASSESSMENT, DIAGNOSIS AND CLASSIFICATION OF CHILDHOOD ONSET CEREBRAL VISUAL IMPAIRMENT: INTRODUCTION TO THE GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Organizer: **Naomi Dale** (*United Kingdom*)

Co-organizer: **Els Ortibus** (*Belgium*)

12:20 Systematic methodology to develop evidence-based Clinical practice guidelines-CVI
Naomi Dale (*United Kingdom*)

12:30 Presentation of the Clinical practice guidelines-CVI
Els Ortibus (*Belgium*)

12:40 Implementing in practice the clinical practice guidelines-CVI: from multidisciplinary neurodevelopmental perspective
Francesca Tinelli (*Italy*)

12:50 Implementing in practice the clinical practice guidelines-CVI: from multidisciplinary ophthalmology perspective
Richard Bowman (*United Kingdom*)

13:00 Summary: Barriers and facilitators for change
Naomi Dale (*United Kingdom*)

13:10 Discussion

12:20-13:20 | LIMONAIA

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12:20-13:20 | ROOM ONICE

COURSE ID 55 - SMART SOLUTIONS FOR VISION REHAB: UNLOCKING THE POWER OF TECHNOLOGY TO OVERCOME READING BARRIERS

Organizer: **Michelle Bianchi** (*USA*)

Co-organizer: **Janet Sunness** (*USA*)

12:20 Accessibility features of smartphones for Visual Impairment
Michelle Bianchi (*USA*)

12:37 Clinical direction for smart phone use
Janet Sunness (*USA*)

12:54 Cell Phone Technology to Promote Inclusion: The Power in Your Pocket
Holly Stants (*USA*)

13:11 Discussion

12:20-13:20 | ROOM 4

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13:20-14:20 | AUDITORIUM

COURSE ID 54 - TEACHING ADVOCACY SKILLS IN VISION REHABILITATION: INTEGRATING PATIENT EMPOWERMENT INTO CLINICAL PRACTICE

Organizer: **Michele Vandendooren** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Vanessa Carmody** (USA)

13:20 Advocacy skills - Intro to home and community practice
Michele Vandendooren (USA)

13:45 Teaching self-advocacy skills in vision rehabilitation with older adults: tools and techniques
Vanessa Carmody (USA)

14:10 Discussion

13:20-14:20 | ROOM VERDE

COURSE ID 51 - MANAGEMENT OF CEREBRAL VISUAL IMPAIRMENT

Organizer: **Linda Lawrence** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Daniela Ricci** (Italy)

13:20 Models of intervention in different countries
Linda Lawrence (USA)

13:30 Building collaborative teams: effective strategies for assessing and intervening in children with CVI
Terry Schwartz (USA)

13:40 The important role of teachers in the CVI team
Kelly Lusk (USA)

13:50 Early Intervention in CVI
Andrea Guzzetta (Italy)

14:00 Family center care and CVI: testimony
Martha Montello (USA)

14:00 Discussion

13:20-14:20 | LIMONAIA

COURSE ID 35 - ILLUMINATING POSSIBILITIES: THE DUTCH STEPPED-CARE APPROACH TO LIGHTING REHABILITATION

Organizer: **Jan Koopman** (The Netherlands)

Co-organizer: **Wim Van Damme** (The Netherlands)

13:20 The Prelude to Lighting Rehabilitation
Jan Koopman (The Netherlands)

13:37 Turning insights into practical interventions
Wim Van Damme (The Netherlands)

13:54 Translating assessments into specific lighting recommendations
Anne Vrijling (The Netherlands)

14:11 Discussion



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COURSE ID 20 - READING ASSESSMENTS AND VISION LOSS

Organizer: **Elizabeth Barstow** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Jason Vice** (USA)

13:20 Reading Assessments and Vision Loss
Elizabeth Barstow (USA)

13:45 Reading Assessments and Vision Loss
Jason Vice (USA)

14:10 Discussion

13:20-14:20 | ROOM 4

COURSE ID 19 - INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO DEAFBLIND REHABILITATION: BRIDGING SENSORY LOSSES FOR ENHANCED QUALITY OF LIFE

Organizer: **Cade Oost** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Jessica Broodryk** (USA)

13:20 Functional Implications of Deafblindness
Cade Oost (USA)

13:45 Innovations in Rehabilitation for Dual Sensory Loss
Jessica Broodryk (USA)

14:10 Discussion

13:00-14:15 | ROOM 9

ELSRR MEETING



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14:30-16:30 | AUDITORIUM

LOW VISION AND THE BRAIN: FUNCTION, PLASTICITY AND RESTORATION - PART 1

Chairs: **Bernhard Sabel** (Germany), **Jeffrey Goldberg** (USA)

- 14:30** Keynote Lecture: Neuromodulation and brain plasticity for vision restoration
Bernhard Sabel (Germany)
- 14:50** Optic nerve regeneration: cell-intrinsic and -extrinsic regulation
Larry Benowitz (USA)
- 15:01** Biomarkers and new therapeutics for neuroprotection in glaucoma
Jeffrey Goldberg (USA)
- 15:12** Rethinking the sensory deprived brain: how sensory deprivation improved our vision on brain function
Emiliano Ricciardi (Lucca, Italy)
- 15:23** Primary cortex remodeling in patients with central scotomas
Janet Sunness (USA)
- 15:34** Visual restoration and reconstruction based on brain computer interface
Huiguang He (China)
- 15:45** Orchestrated neuromodulation to enhance visual functions in healthy subjects and patients with hemianopia
Friedhelm Christoph Hummel (Switzerland)
- 15:56** Visual percepts evoked with intracortical microstimulation in 4 blind volunteers
Eduardo Fernandez (Spain)
- 16:07** Biofeedback techniques in low vision rehabilitation
Enzo Maria Vingolo (Italy)
- 16:18** Vision restoration and the role of microsaccades in glaucoma
Ying Gao (China)

14:30-16:30 | LIMONAIA

EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF LOW VISION RESEARCH AND REHABILITATION (ESLRR) SESSION

Chairs: **Maria Begoña Coco** (Spain), **Andrew Jonathan Jackson** (Ireland)

- 14:30** Low vision services in Italy
Valeria Silvestri (Italy)
- 14:45** Low vision services in The Netherlands
Bart Melis-Dankers (The Netherlands)
- 15:00** Low vision services in Spain
Maria Begoña Coco (Spain), **Joaquín Herrera Medina** (Spain)
- 15:15** Low vision services in Germany
Kathleen Kunert (Germany)
- 15:30** Low vision services in Portugal
Catarina Paiva (Portugal)
- 15:45** Low vision services in Ireland
Andrew Jonathan Jackson (Ireland), **Blaithin Gallagher** (Ireland)
- 16:00** Low vision services in Hungary
Emese Pajor (Hungary)



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14:30-15:30 | ROOM ONICE

FROM FRUSTRATION TO SUCCESS: SUPPORT WITH HEALTHCARE PATIENT PORTALS FOR LOW VISION PATIENTS - PART 1

Chairs: **Ava Bittner** (USA), **Holly Stants** (USA)

- 14:30** Usage of healthcare patient portals by visually-impaired patients
Ava Bittner (USA)
- 14:46** Accessibility and training to facilitate low vision patients' independent use of healthcare portal services
Kayla Gan (USA)
- 15:02** Overcoming barriers to effective healthcare app usage
Holly Stants (USA)
- 15:18** Panel discussion

15:30-16:30 | ROOM ONICE

FROM DISSATISFACTION TO SUCCESS: TRANSITIONING FROM OVER-THE-COUNTER TO PRESCRIBED VISUAL AIDS - PART 2

Chairs: **Ava Bittner** (USA), **Holly Stants** (USA)

- 15:30** Introduction to over-the-counter (OTC) aids
Ashley Deemer (USA)
- 15:40** Upgrades when over-the-counter magnifiers are not helpful
Ava Bittner (USA)
- 15:50** From dissatisfaction with OTC visual aids to newly prescribed devices
Patrick Yoshinaga (USA)
- 16:00** Outcomes in a private practice: transitioning from high usage rates of OTC magnifiers by AMD patients
John Kaminski (USA)
- 16:10** Summary of findings for pooled data across three practice sites
Ashley Deemer (USA)
- 16:20** Panel discussion



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14:30-16:30 | ROOM 4

SOUTH AMERICA LOW VISION SYMPOSIUM

Chairs: **Maria Haddad** (*Brazil*), **TBD**

- 14:30** Vision rehabilitation in retinopathy of prematurity
Alejandra Carmona (*Argentina*)
- 14:42** Vision impairment in childhood and early intervention
Rosario Espinoza (*Peru*)
- 14:54** Optical aids for low vision. Main indications
TBD
- 15:06** Epidemiology of low vision in Latin America
TBD
- 15:18** Public policies in visual rehabilitation in Brazil
Arthur De Almeida Medeiros (*Brazil*)
- 15:30** Vision rehabilitation in inherited retinal diseases
José Ronaldo Lima De Carvalho Jr (*Brazil*)
- 15:42** Vision rehabilitation in glaucoma
TBD
- 15:54** Photobiomodulation in AMD
Rodrigo Hideharo Sato (*Brazil*)
- 16:06** Microperimetry evaluation and biofeedback training in low vision
Alex Hauro Higashi (*Brazil*)
- 16:18** Panel discussion

14:30-15:30 | ROOM 9

MISCELLANEA OR ABSTRACT TOPIC ABOUT - PART 5



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15:30-16:30 | ROOM 9

AMGO, UICI, IAPB ITALIA - NETWORKS AND PATHWAYS SUPPORTING THE FUNCTIONAL REHABILITATION OF BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED INDIVIDUALS

Chairs: **Filippo Amore** (*Italy*), **Federico Bartolomei** (*Italy*)

15:30 Introduction to the symposium
TBD

15:35 Introduction to the symposium
Giorgio Ricci (*Italy*)

15:40 D.A.Re. Registry: an overview of the distribution and use of assistive devices in Italy today
Gianni Virgili (Florence, Italy)

15:48 The assistive devices library operator in the field of education and the use of assistive technologies in the elderly today
Floriana Ferranti (*Italy*)

15:56 Beyond the vision: an integrated approach to neurovisual rehabilitation with family engagement
Chiara Mastantuono (*Italy*)

16:04 EBU Low Vision Working Group: what's new
Polona Car Djuric (*Slovenia*)

16:12 Comparing realities in Europe
Gaja Bec (*Slovenia*)

16:20 Tele-rehabilitation services
Valeria Silvestri (*Italy*)

16:28 Panel discussion

16:30-17:15 | EXHIBITION AREA BALLATOI POSTER SESSION - 1B



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17:15-18:45 | AUDITORIUM

LOW VISION AND THE BRAIN: FUNCTION, PLASTICITY AND RESTORATION - PART 2

Chairs: **Jeffrey Goldberg** (USA), **Bernhard Sabel** (Germany)

- 17:15** Retinal imaging in brain disease
Leopold Schmetterer (Singapore)
- 17:25** Visual sensory attenuation and fatigue
Franca Tecchio (Italy)
- 17:35** Parallel ventral and dorsal sub-routes for visual information processing in health and disease
Ferdinand Binkofski (Germany)
- 17:45** Cerebral visual impairment and brain lesions
Francesca Tinelli (Italy)
- 17:55** Visual impairment and development of multisensory skills and technology
Monica Gori (Italy)
- 18:05** How brain injury leads to visual deficits in children with unilateral cerebral palsy
Els Ortibus (Belgium)
- 18:15** Children with blinding ROP: Habilitation and rehabilitation services
Suraj Singh Senjam (India)
- 18:25** Common neurodegeneration mechanisms shared by normal tension and ocular hypertension glaucoma models
Yang Hu (USA)
- 18:35** Panel discussion

17:15-18:45 | ROOM VERDE

OUTCOME MEASURES IN VISION RESTORATION CLINICAL TRIALS

Chairs: **Lauren Ayton** (Australia), **Gislin Dagnelie** (USA), **Ralf Hornig** (France)

- 17:15** Introduction: current challenges in low vision outcome measures
Gislin Dagnelie (USA)
- 17:28** Patient reported outcomes
Judy Goldstein (USA)
- 17:41** Mobility assessments in low vision clinical trials
Duane Geruschat (USA)
- 17:54** Virtual reality: a novel way of measuring mobility
Arathy Kartha (USA)
- 18:07** Microperimetry: a clinical endpoint in low vision trials
Jasleen Jolly (United Kingdom)
- 18:20** Visual function and functional vision assessments in vision restoration clinical trials
TBD
- 18:33** Panel discussion



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17:15-18:45 | LIMONAIA

MOLECULAR GENETICS AND VISUAL REHABILITATION IN INHERITED RETINAL DISEASES (IRDs)

Chairs: **Luigi Donato** (*Italy*), **Serge Picaud** (*France*)

- 17:15** Molecular genetics and multi-omics approaches to unveil new mechanisms for translational research on IRDs
Luigi Donato (*Italy*)
- 17:30** Post-developmental restoration of vision by rewiring photoreceptor synapses
Kirill Martemyanov (*USA*)
- 17:45** Retinal aquaporins in health and disease: blue light and zinc as key regulators
Domenico Mordà (*Italy*)
- 18:00** Eye drops of small PEDF peptides promote photoreceptor survival in mouse and human models of retinal degeneration
Patricia Becerra (*USA*)
- 18:15** Visual restoration by genetic brain machine interface
Serge Picaud (*France*)
- 18:30** Albinism beyond genetics
Andrea Cristiano Piantanida (*Italy*)

17:15-18:45 | ROOM ONICE

DIAGNOSTIC, THERAPY AND VISUAL REHABILITATION IN GLAUCOMA AND OPTIC DISEASES

Chairs: **Simona Turco** (*Italy*), **Roberto Volpe** (*Italy*)

- 17:15** Evidence based neuroprotection in glaucoma: randomized clinical trials with citioline oral solution and eye drops
TBD
- 17:29** Neuroprotection in real life: how can I treat glaucomatous patients?
Michele Figus (*Italy*)
- 17:43** Prognostic factors of glaucoma progression: a Cochrane review
Mapa Prabhath Pyasena (*United Kingdom*)
- 17:57** Autoantibodies for glaucoma diagnosis and treatment
TBD
- 18:11** External SLT in low and middle-income countries
Rupert Bourne (*United Kingdom*)
- 18:25** Aqueous humor analysis in glaucoma diagnosis and prognosis
TBD
- 18:39** Panel discussion



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17:15-18:45 | ROOM 4

LOW VISION PRACTICES IN ASIA

Chairs: **Susan Carden** (*Australia*), **Lisa Ong** (*Singapore*)

17:15 Technology in low vision
Anna Tan (*Singapore*)

17:25 A bag of LV from The Philippines
Sheila Santos-Jimenez (*Philippines*)

17:35 The role of ophthalmologist in vision rehabilitation
Yanhong Zou (*China*)

17:45 Role of a social worker in LV rehabilitation - A Singapore experience
Priscilla Lim (*Singapore*)

17:55 AI for LV
Lisa Ong (*Singapore*)

18:05 Establishing multi-disciplinary low vision service in Thailand: Lessons learned for successful model and challenges
Suksri Chotikavanich (*Thailand*)

18:15 Q&A

17:15-18:45 | ROOM 9

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18:45-19:45 | AUDITORIUM

COURSE ID 46 - VISION REHABILITATION FOR CHILDREN WITH NEUROLOGICAL DISABILITY - A MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH

Organizer: **Luciene Fernandes** (*Brazil*)

Co-organizer: **Galton Vasconcelos** (*Brazil*)

18:45 Ophthalmologic assessment for vision rehabilitation in children with neurological conditions
Galton Vasconcelos (*Brazil*)

18:55 Functional vision: assessment and interventions
Rita De Cassia Ietto Montilha (*Brazil*)

19:05 Vision rehabilitation: interventions and devices
Luciene Fernandes (*Brazil*)

19:15 Rehabilitation training – the effective use of remaining vision
Alessandra Carvalho (*Brazil*)

19:25 Multidisciplinary strategies to enhance development and inclusion of children with neurological disabilities
Ana Claudia Fernandes (*Brazil*)

19:35 Discussion



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18:45-19:45 | ROOM VERDE

COURSE ID 23 - OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AND VISION REHABILITATION

Organizer: **Elizabeth Barstow** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Jason Vice** (Birmingham, United States)

18:45 Occupational Therapy and Vision Rehabilitation
Elizabeth Barstow (USA)

19:10 Occupational Therapy and Vision Rehabilitation
Jason Vice (Birmingham, United States)

19:35 Discussion

18:45-19:45 | LIMONAIA

COURSE ID 18 - EYE MOVEMENTS BEYOND VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS: GAZE PATTERNS TO ASSESS, MODEL AND TRAIN VISUAL AND COGNITIVE PROCESSING

Organizer: **Lucia Schiatti** (Italy)

Co-organizer: **Helene Vitali** (Italy)

18:45 Visual function and gaze behavior assessment: bridging vision and higher brain functions
Sabrina Signorini (Italy)

18:55 MREye: Magnetic Resonance Imaging of the Human Eye
Benedetta Franceschiello (Switzerland)

19:05 Sleep in blindness: from physiological assessments to sleep cognition
Helene Vitali (Italy)

19:15 From albatros to LLMs: a gentle tour of advanced statistical modelling for gaze and attention
Giuseppe Boccignone (Italy)

19:25 Communicate, play, and learn: the eye tracking system used in rehabilitation for children with complex neurological diseases
Serena Previtali (Italy)

19:35 Discussion

18:45-19:45 | ROOM ONICE

COURSE ID 42 - ADVANCING VISUAL FUNCTION AND REHABILITATION IN ALBINISM

Organizer: **Rebecca Kammer** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Nicole Ross** (USA)

18:45 Low vision services and albinism in East Africa
Rebecca Kammer (USA)

19:02 Beyond acuity: mapping visual function across processing levels in albinismplaceholder
Nicole Ross (USA)

19:19 A review of low vision management in a U.S. university clinic
Swati Modi (USA)

19:36 Discussion



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18:45-19:45 | ROOM 4

MISCELLANEA OR ABSTRACT TOPIC ABOUT - PART 7

18:45-19:45 | ROOM ONICE

COURSE ID 28 - SPECIALTY CONTACT LENSES OPTIMIZE VISION AND UTILIZATION OF LOW VISION DEVICES

Organizer: **Sherry Day** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Donna Wicker** (USA)

18:45 Bright futures: vision rehabilitation for pediatric population with medical contact lenses

Sherry Day (USA)

19:01 Enhancing vision: role of specialty CL in adults with vision impairment

Donna Wicker (USA)

19:17 Mini-scleral contact lenses optimizes vision and use of devices for visually impaired children with advanced keratoconus

Zahra Rashid (Kenya)

19:35 Discussion



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08:30-09:45 | AUDITORIUM

PEDIATRIC VISUAL REHABILITATION

Chairs: **Linda Lawrence** (USA), **Daniela Ricci** (Italy)

- 08:30** How to establish a rehabilitation program - the North American experience
Linda Lawrence (USA)
- 08:40** How to establish a rehabilitation program - the South American experience
Rosario Espinoza (Peru)
- 08:50** How to establish a rehabilitation program - the Indian experience
Sandra Ganesh Chandramouli (India)
- 09:00** How to establish a rehabilitation program - the African experience
Adedayo Adio (Nigeria)
- 09:10** How to establish a rehabilitation program - the South East Asia experience
Swetha Philip (Australia)
- 09:20** How to establish a rehabilitation program - the European experience
Els Ortibus (Belgium)
- 09:30** Panel discussion

08:30-09:45 | ROOM VERDE

BRAIN INJURY REHABILITATION FOR HOMONIMOUS VISUAL FIELD DEFECTS

Chairs: **Giovanni Sato** (Italy), **Susanne Trauzettel-Klosinsky** (Germany)

- 08:30** Rehabilitation of visual field with prisms in hemianopia
Giovanni Sato (Italy)
- 08:45** When hemianopia overlaps with alterations in ocular motility, what rehabilitative
Roberta Rizzo (Italy)
- 09:00** Visual scanning training for the treatment of hemianopia
Fiona Rowe (United Kingdom)
- 09:15** Hemianopia and driving
Joanne Wood (Australia)
- 09:30** Hemianopia in children: special features and rehabilitation
Susanne Trauzettel-Klosinsky (Germany)

08:30-09:45 | LIMONAIA

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08:30-09:45 | ROOM ONICE

ENHANCING VISUAL FUNCTION AND PROMOTING ACCESSIBILITY

Chairs: **James Coughlan** (USA), **Preti Verghese** (USA)

- 08:30** Enhancing functional vision of people with central vision loss through perceptual learning
Susana Chung (USA)
- 08:43** Motion parallax enhances depth perception in macular degeneration
Jade Guenet (USA)
- 08:56** Accessibility for low vision: moving towards objective approaches
Yingzi Xiong (USA)
- 09:09** Audiom: an auditory map interface for blind and low vision travelers
Brandon Biggs (USA)
- 09:22** Point and listen: making 3D maps and models accessible with natural interactions
James Coughlan (USA)
- 09:35** Panel discussion

08:30-09:45 | ROOM 4

LOW VISION ACADEMY ROUND TABLE - VISUAL IMPAIRMENT BEYOND MAGNIFICATION: BIOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL VISUAL REHABILITATION

ChairS: **Paolo Limoli** (Italy), **Francesca De Rossi** (Italy), **Francesca Rucco** (Italy)

- 08:30** Parainflammation and VI
Joseph Sajish Pinackatt (Italy)
- 08:38** Mitochondria preservation in visual rehabilitation
Federica Franzone (Italy)
- 08:46** Nutrition for visual performance
Debora Cantarutti (Italy)
- 08:54** Cell and secretoma therapy in low vision
Paolo Limoli (Italy)
- 09:02** Visual rehabilitation without and with cell therapy: differences and evidence
Ilaria Ciochetta (Italy)
- 09:10** Quantum biomodulation and structural visual
Sergio Scalinci (Italy)
- 09:18** Aerobic activity and visual rehabilitation
Stefano Casaro (Italy)
- 09:26** Discussion



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08:30-09:45 | ROOM 9

MENTAL HEALTH IN PEOPLE WITH VISION LOSS: CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS

Chairs: **Marit Van Buijsen** (*The Netherlands*), **Ruth Van Nispen** (*The Netherlands*)

- 08:30** Stepped-care to decrease depression and anxiety in young adults with vision loss
Robert Van Der Linden (*The Netherlands*)
- 08:45** Mental health after sight recovery
Michael Crossland (*United Kingdom*)
- 09:00** Post-traumatic stress in older adults with vision loss
Edine Van Munster (*The Netherlands*)
- 09:15** Humanising health care: Sharing patients' lived experience of vision impairment and depression with eye care students
Claire Nollett (*United Kingdom*)
- 09:30** Addressing severe mental health problems in the care for persons with vision loss: state of the art
Marit Van Buijsen (*The Netherlands*)

09:45-10:30 | EXHIBITION AREA BALLATOI POSTER SESSION - 2A

10:30-12:45 | AUDITORIUM

BEYOND THE CURRENT TECHNOLOGICAL FRONTIERS AND VISUAL REHABILITATION

Chairs: **Filippo Amore** (*Italy*), **Marco Ulises Morales** (*United Kingdom*)

- 10:30** Keynote Lecture: The A.I. for prevention of the blindness and low vision
Keane Pearse (*United Kingdom*)
- 10:50** Retinal implant research and artificial vision
Ralf Hornig (*France*)
- 11:05** Overcoming technology barriers
Ava Bittner (*USA*)
- 11:20** New technology for visually impaired people
Monica Gori (*Italy*)
- 11:35** AI-based medical imaging for visual impairment
Oliver Leingang (*Austria*)
- 11:50** New technology for mobility
Nathan Deutsch (*Switzerland*)
- 12:05** News in nystagmus treatment
Davide Cacciatore (*Italy*)
- 12:20** Title to be defined
TBD
- 12:35** Panel discussion



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13:00-14:00 | AUDITORIUM

COURSE ID 38 - NEW TECHNOLOGIES, APPLICATIONS, AND PATIENT PERCEPTIONS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN EYE CARE AND LOW VISION REHABILITATION

Organizer: **Patrick Yoshinaga** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Rachelle Lin** (USA)

- 13:00** AI enhancement of apps, operating systems, handheld and head borne devices, and smart glasses for the blind and visually impaired
Patrick Yoshinaga (USA)
- 13:17** Applications of AI in healthcare: public perception, autonomous AI diagnostic systems, and access to care
Rachelle Lin (USA)
- 13:34** Quality of life, usage and comparison of ai assistance options: perspective from the visually impaired community
Wayne Heidle (USA)
- 13:51** Discussion

13:00-14:00 | ROOM VERDE

COURSE ID 16 - COMPARING THE USE OF TEXT AND AUDIO IN PATIENTS WITH LOW VISION

Organizer: **David Simpson** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Joshua Robinson** (USA)

- 13:00** Comparing the Use of Text and Audio in Patients with Low Vision
David Simpson (USA)
- 13:25** Comparing the Use of Text and Audio in Patients with Low Vision
Joshua Robinson (USA)

13:00-14:00 | LIMONAIA

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13:00-14:00 | ROOM ONICE

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13:00-14:00 | ROOM 4

MISCELLANEA OR ABSTRACT TOPIC ABOUT - PART 11

13:00-14:15 | ROOM 9

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14:30-16:45 | AUDITORIUM

THE PATH TO DEEPER VISUAL RE-MODULATION

Chairs: **Paolo Limoli** (*Italy*), **Serge Picaud** (*France*)

- 14:30** Novel approaches to functional vision assessment
Gislin Dagnelie (*USA*)
- 14:45** Outcome measures in gene therapy clinical trials
Lauren Ayton (*Australia*)
- 15:00** Rehabilitation of LV patients undergoing novel therapies
Ronald Schuchard (*USA*)
- 15:15** Why neuroretinal pathology progresses: oxidative, inflammatory and apoptotic processes
Imre Lengyel (*United Kingdom*)
- 15:30** Retinal molecular biology: the key to containing the progression of neuroretinal diseases
Luigi Donato (*Italy*)
- 15:45** Novel approaches to retinal repair: learning from zebrafish and the potential of mesenchymal exosomes
Lucia Poggi (*Italy*)
- 16:00** Cell therapy and neuroretinal diseases
Ayse Öner (**TÜRKIYE**)
- 16:15** Cell therapy without cells?
Neslihan Sinim Kahraman (*Turkey*)
- 16:30** Panel discussion

16:45-17:30 | EXHIBITION AREA BALLATOI

POSTER SESSION - 2B

17:30-18:45 | AUDITORIUM

DRIVING WITH LOW VISION: INSIGHTS FROM DIVERSE RESEARCH METHODS

Chairs: **Alex Bowers** (*USA*), **Bart Melis-Dankers** (*The Netherlands*)

- 17:30** Advanced driver assistance systems for people with central vision impairment: usage, perceptions, and safety insights
Jing Xu (*USA*)
- 17:40** Driving simulator testing for patients with visual field defects
Satoshi Yokota (*Japan*)
- 17:50** Driving with homonymous visual field loss: simulated driving vs. naturalistic driving
Alex Bowers (*USA*)
- 18:00** Insights on vision and driving performance: closed vs. open road approaches
Joanne Wood (*Australia*)
- 18:10** On-road assessment of low vision drivers in Europe
Bart Melis-Dankers (*The Netherlands*)
- 18:20** On-road testing or simulator-based testing for individuals with visual field loss?
Janne Andersson (*Sweden*)
- 18:30** Panel discussion



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17:30-18:45 | ROOM VERDE

TECHNOLOGICAL APPROACHES TO VISION RESTORATION: BIONIC VISION, GENE THERAPY AND BEYOND

Chairs: **Lauren Ayton** (*Australia*), **Gislin Dagnelie** (*USA*), **Ralf Hornig** (*France*)

17:30 Introduction: IRD technologies 101
Lauren Ayton (*Australia*)

17:40 Vision prostheses
Michael Barry (*USA*)

17:50 Gene therapy
TBD

18:00 Optogenetics
Samuel Barone (*USA*)

18:10 Small molecules
Brian Strem (*USA*)

18:20 Sensory substitution devices
Patricia Grant (*USA*)

18:30 Panel discussion

17:30-18:45 | LIMONAIA

VISION REHABILITATION FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED: OVERCOMING CHALLENGES

Chairs: **Boshra Elbayoumi** (*Egypt*), **Gianfrancesco M. Villani** (*Italy*)

17:30 The best tools to overcome challenging cases in childhood visual impairment, experience in 30 years
Ayşe Turan (*Turkey*)

17:40 Issues in the rehabilitation of low vision persons to read
Giovanni Giacomelli (*Italy*)

17:50 Low vision rehab for a patient with ocular syphilis and a diabetic patient under semaglutide treatment
Olga Goulia (*Greece*)

18:00 Artificial intelligence for visually impaired
Vanessa Bosch (*Mexico*)

18:10 Eyes wide open: confronting low vision rehabilitation blindspots
Werner Eisenbarth (*Germany*)

18:20 Is it possible for vision restoration techniques to replace LVD?
Boshra Elbayoumi (*Egypt*)

18:30 Panel discussion

17:30-18:45 | ROOM ONICE

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17:30-18:45 | ROOM 4

TELEREHABILITATION FOR LOW VISION: READING OUTCOMES WITH MAGNIFICATION AIDS

Chairs: **Ava Bittner** (USA), TBD

- 17:30** Patient outcomes after magnifier training via telerehabilitation versus in-office support
Ava Bittner (USA)
- 17:45** Provider observations during telerehabilitation sessions for magnifier training
Kayla Gan (USA)
- 18:00** Patients' close acquaintances' observations of reading changes following magnifier training
TBD
- 18:15** Comparison of reading performance tests to patient reported outcomes of reading
Micaela Gobeille (USA)
- 18:30** Panel discussion

17:30-18:45 | ROOM 9

NEUROVISUAL REHABILITATION A - PREVALENCE, SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT OF NEUROVISUAL DISORDERS

Chairs: **Joost Heutink** (The Netherlands), **Silvio Ionta** (Switzerland)

- 17:30** CVI clinical practice guidelines and barriers and facilitation for implementation
Els Ortibus (Belgium)
- 17:44** Screening for neurovisual disorders in centres for neurorehabilitation
Vera Linde Dol (The Netherlands)
- 17:58** Assessing neurological vision impairment - perspective from a specialist optometry clinic residual neglect
Christine Hazelton (United Kingdom)
- 18:12** Assessment of reading problems in homonymous hemianopia
TBD
- 18:26** Extensive assessment before rehabilitation in people with ms - what makes sense and what not?
Fleur Van Der Feen (The Netherlands)
- 18:40** Discussion



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08:30-09:45 | AUDITORIUM

MYOPIA: MECHANISMS AND STRATEGIES TO SLOW DOWN ITS PROGRESSION (DEFOCUSING, RED LIGHT AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES)

Chairs: **Roberto Caputo** (*Italy*), **Giuliano Stramare** (*Italy*)

08:30 Introduction

Roberto Caputo (*Italy*), **Giuliano Stramare** (*Italy*)

08:35 Myopia progression from wearing first glasses to adult age: the DREAM Study

Jan Roelof Polling (*The Netherlands*)

09:05 Interventions to slow the progression of myopia in children: a living network meta-analysis

John Lawrenson (*United Kingdom*)

09:35 Discussion

08:30-09:45 | ROOM VERDE

INTRAOCULAR AND EXTRAOCULAR SOLUTIONS FOR LOW VISION

Chairs: **David Keegan** (*Ireland*), **Julie Silvestri** (*United Kingdom*)

08:30 Optics and trial results of the IMT and NG SI IMT devices

Rebecca Kammer (*USA*)

08:43 Real world experience with the NG SI IMT and SML devices

David Keegan (*Ireland*)

08:56 Patient selection for the Scharioth macular lens, does a contact simulator help?

Julie Silvestri (*United Kingdom*)

09:09 Patient selection and predicting good outcomes for intraocular magnifying devices: sing IMT experience

Paola Sasso (*Italy*)

09:22 Navigating the built environment - how can we help?

Laura Cushley (*United Kingdom*)

09:35 Panel discussion

08:30-09:45 | LIMONAIA

UNDERSTANDING BINOCULAR VISION OF PATIENTS WITH MACULAR DISEASE

Chairs: **Gordon Legge** (*USA*), **Luminita Tarita-Nistor** (*Canada*), **Gianfrancesco M. Villani** (*Italy*)

08:30 Mechanisms and alterations of binocular vision in aging and ocular diseases

MiYoung Kwon (*USA*)

08:45 Binocular reading summation and inhibition in macular disease

Filippo Amore (*Italy*)

09:00 Vision training for patients with binocular inhibition

Valeria Silvestri (*Italy*)

09:15 Implications of scotoma overlap in the two eyes in macular degeneration

Preti Verghese (*USA*)

09:30 Binocularity considerations when evaluating the PRL in patients with central vision loss

Luminita Tarita-Nistor (*Canada*)



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FUNCTIONALITY AND USABILITY OF ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR PEOPLE WITH VISION IMPAIRMENT

Chairs: **Alexis Malkin** (USA), **Hilde Van Der Aa** (The Netherlands)

- 08:30** The functionality and usability of head-mounted displays (HMDs)
Michael Crossland (United Kingdom)
- 08:45** Functionality and usability of artificial intelligence (A.I.) apps and devices
William Seiple (USA)
- 09:00** Different models of augmented reality devices and how they are perceived by people with low vision
Sarika Gopalakrishnan (USA)
- 09:15** The usability and cost-effectiveness of a blended eHealth intervention to reduce fatigue in adults with vision impairment
Manon Veldman (The Netherlands)
- 09:30** Co-creation of assistive technology to increase usability and implementation within low vision rehab organizations
TBD

08:30-09:45 | ROOM 4

SELECTED TOPICS IN CONGENITAL AND EARLY-ONSET DEAFBLINDNESS

Chairs: **Shirley Dumassais** (Canada), **Walter Wittich** (Canada)

- 08:30** An environmental scan: challenges and gaps in Canada's healthcare system regarding vision and hearing health
Karen Keyes (Canada)
- 08:43** Validation of the life adjustment model as a psycho-educative group intervention
Moa Wahlqvist (Sweden)
- 08:56** Management of delayed language development of children with cortical visual impairment in Hope City Foundation
Amal Ezzat (Egypt)
- 09:09** Comparing education pathways for deafblind children in the Global South and Global North
Walter Wittich (Canada)
- 09:22** Effective partners strategies for enhancing communicative and cognitive abilities of children with congenital deafblindness
Saskia Damen (The Netherlands)
- 09:35** Panel discussion



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08:30-09:45 | ROOM 9

NEUROVISUAL REHABILITATION B - REHABILITATION OF VISUAL DISORDERS AFTER ACQUIRED BRAIN DISEASE

Chairs: **Joost Heutink** (*The Netherlands*), TBD

08:30 Rehabilitation for visual perceptual problems - putting the evidence into practice
Christine Hazelton (*United Kingdom*)

08:43 Rehabilitation of visual disorders after acquired brain disease
TBD

08:56 Anti-extinction training: a new therapy for patients with residual neglect
TBD

09:09 Assessment and rehabilitation of visual disorders of acquired brain
TBD

09:22 The effects of neurovisual rehabilitation on daily activities and quality of life - results of ongoing research with PREMs and PROMs at Royal Dutch Visio
Joost Heutink (*The Netherlands*)

09:35 Discussion

09:45-10:30 | EXHIBITION AREA BALLATOI

POSTER SESSION - 3A

10:30-12:45 | AUDITORIUM

USING YOUR VISUAL IMPAIRED EYE BETTER: STRATEGIES FOR CORRECT VISUAL REHABILITATION

Chairs: **Anna D'Ambrosio** (*Italy*), **Ben Thompson** (*Canada*)

10:30 Keynote Lecture: Clinical pearls for a successful low vision rehabilitation
Donald Fletcher (*USA*)

10:50 A digital pill for visual rehabilitation
TBD

11:05 Harnessing neuroplasticity for vision rehabilitation
Ben Thompson (*Canada*)

11:20 Training individuals with low vision to see better: from the eyes of a participant
Susana Chung (*USA*)

11:35 Assistive devices for individuals with low vision (TBC)
Alexis Malkin (*USA*)

11:50 How visually impaired patients make decision during navigating unfamiliar environment
Allen Cheong (*Hong Kong*)

12:05 Biofeedback training for individuals with low vision
Monica Nido (*Canada*)

12:20 Global low vision rehabilitation services in the post-COVID era
Ahalya Subramanian (*United Kingdom*)

12:35 Discussion



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13:00-14:00 | AUDITORIUM

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13:00-14:00 | ROOM VERDE

COURSE ID 30 - UNDERSTANDING GEOGRAPHIC ATROPHY

Organizer: **Janet Sunness** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Donald Fletcher** (USA)

13:00 Understanding geographic atrophy
Janet Sunness (USA)

13:25 Assessing and treating macular scotomas
Donald Fletcher (USA)

13:50 Discussion

13:00-14:00 | LIMONAIA

MISCELLANEA OR ABSTRACT TOPIC ABOUT - PART 14

13:00-14:00 | ROOM ONICE

MISCELLANEA OR ABSTRACT TOPIC ABOUT - PART 15

13:00-14:00 | ROOM 4

MISCELLANEA OR ABSTRACT TOPIC ABOUT - PART 16

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14:30-16:45 | AUDITORIUM

IMPROVING PERCEPTION: NEUROCOGNITIVE DYNAMICS OF VISUAL IMPAIRMENT AND RELATED NEUROMODULATION

Chairs: **Joost Heutink** (*The Netherlands*), **Silvio Ionta** (*Switzerland*)

- 14:30** Keynote Lecture: Reading disorders due to lesions along the visual pathway
Susanne Trauzettel-Klosinsky (*Germany*)
- 14:50** Vision problems due to brain pathologies
Joost Heutink (*The Netherlands*)
- 15:02** Visual impairment due to stroke
Fiona Rowe (*United Kingdom*)
- 15:14** Effects of visual impairment on neuroplastic changes in the visual cortex
Antony Morland (*United Kingdom*)
- 15:26** Cortical acetylcholine release during visual experience
Elvire Vaucher (*Canada*)
- 15:38** Body-related cognitive effects of low vision
Silvio Ionta (*Switzerland*)
- 15:50** Visual cortical activity in Charles Bonnet syndrome
Katrina Da Silva Morgan (*United Kingdom*)
- 16:02** Brain stimulation and reading or visual skills
Allen Cheong (*Hong Kong*)
- 16:14** Creative interventions for cerebral visual impairment
Els Ortibus (*Belgium*)
- 16:26** Overview of the latest trends in the literature for rehabilitation and therapies for visually impaired patients
TBD
- 16:38** Panel discussion

16:45-17:30 | EXHIBITION AREA BALLATOI
POSTER SESSION - 3B

17:30-18:45 | AUDITORIUM

AWARD CEREMONY AND FAREWELL BY THE AUTHORITIES

Chair: **TBD**

- 17:30** Career award to Olga Overbury and Gordon Legge
Ben Thompson (*Canada*)

5 Best Oral Presentation

5 Best poster



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17:30-18:45 | ROOM VERDE

READING WITH LOW VISION

Chairs: **Aurelie Calabrese** (*France*), **Antonio Filipe Macedo** (*Sweden*)

- 17:30** Reading with low vision: visual acuity, print size and magnification
Susana Chung (*USA*)
- 17:42** Reading magnified newspapers versus newspapers magnification: a new method to address the local/global navigation problem on digital devices
Sebastian Gallardo (*France*)
- 17:54** Assessment of newly designed fonts for visual accessibility
Gordon Legge (*USA*)
- 18:06** Influence of the linguistic word features when reading with a central scotoma
Eole Lapeyre (*France*)
- 18:18** The use of PRL in free reading
Arda Fidanci (*USA*)
- 18:30** Discussion

17:30-18:45 | LIMONAI

MICROPERIMETRY FROM RESEARCH TO CLINICAL APPLICATIONS

Chairs: **Winfried Amoaku** (*United Kingdom*), **Marco Ulises Morales** (*United Kingdom*)

- 17:30** MP pearls & pitfalls
Georg Ansari (*Switzerland*)
- 17:43** The role of the preferred retinal locus (PRL) in retinal diseases
TBD
- 17:56** Longitudinal structure-function correlation
Jasleen Jolly (*United Kingdom*)
- 18:09** Rehabilitation pathway from microperimetry to orientation and mobility
Davide Cacciatore (*Italy*)
- 18:19** Evolution of microperimetry, the past, present and future
Marco Ulises Morales (*United Kingdom*)
- 18:32** Visual rehabilitation case reports from a real-world clinical practice
Kawtar Faik (*Italy*)



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17:30-18:45 | ROOM ONICE

COURSE ID 50 - VISIONS THROUGH THE AGES: NARRATIVES OF BLINDNESS FROM RENAISSANCE ART HISTORY TO MODERN ACCESSIBILITY

Organizer: **Rachelle Lin** (USA)

Co-organizer: **Patrick Yoshinaga** (USA)

VISIONS THROUGH THE AGES NARRATIVES OF BLINDNESS FROM RENAISSANCE ART HISTORY TO MODERN ACCESSIBILITY

17:30 Representation and narratives of blindness in art history and modern times."
Rachelle Lin (USA)

17:47 Examining the effects of vision loss on art creation
Patrick Yoshinaga (USA)

18:04 Art accessibility for today and the future
Wayne Heidle (USA)

18:21 Discussion

17:30-18:45 | ROOM 4

DEAFBLINDNESS ACROSS THE LIFE-SPAN

Chairs: **Karen Keyes** (Canada), **Walter Wittich** (Canada)

17:30 The development of the WHO ICF core sets for deafblindness for children and youth
Shirley Dumassais (Canada)

17:45 This is not about football only, it is about the right to PARTICIPATION
Rolf Lund (Sweden)

18:00 Labour market participation of people with acquired deafblindness
Eline Heppe (The Netherlands)

18:15 The influence of varying degrees of dual sensory loss on daily life
Esther Veenman (The Netherlands)

18:30 An invisible disability - developing strategies for older Australians with dual sensory impairment
Maira Dunsmore (Australia)



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17:30-18:45 | ROOM 9

MANAGEMENT OF CVI

Chairs: **Linda Lawrence** (USA), **Daniela Ricci** (Italy)

- 17:30** Models of intervention in different countries
TBD
- 17:42** Building collaborative teams: effective strategies for assessing and intervening in children with CVI
TBD
- 17:54** The important role of teachers on the CVI team
TBD
- 18:06** Early intervention in CVI
TBD
- 18:18** Family center care and CVI
Martha Montello (USA)
- 18:28** Testimony
- 18:38** Discussion



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