

## **Press Release**

### Global initiative on eye-bank terminology

Representatives of the European Eye Bank Association, Eye Bank Association of America, Eye Bank Association of Australia and New Zealand, Eye Bank Association of India, and the Pan-American Association of Eye Banks, are working together to develop a global standard terminology to describe ocular tissue for transplant.

The project is being coordinated by ICCBBA, the standards body responsible for the ISBT 128 Information Standard for transplantation and transfusion. The Chairman is Professor John Armitage, Bristol, UK

Standard terminology and coding, together with the introduction of a globally unique identification numbering system for ocular tissue, will improve traceability and support biovigilance.

For more information on this activity visit [www.iccbba.org/eyebank](http://www.iccbba.org/eyebank)

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### Information for Editors

ICCBBA is a not for profit standards body responsible for the ISBT 128 information standard used to provide globally unique identification and internationally standard product coding for blood, cell and tissue donations. See [www.iccbba.org](http://www.iccbba.org)

ISBT 128 is used in more than 50 countries to label an estimated 40 million blood, cell and tissue donations each year.

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