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Commissioner General of EuroBiO



As Commissioner General of *EuroBiO*, Eric is responsible for the organization of what is already turning into the largest recurrent event in Europe at the interface of BioIndustry and BioScience. Rebuilt on the same model as BIO in the USA, the meeting was attended in October 2006 by over 4,000 experts, thanks to the unprecedented mobilization of most European Life Sciences stakeholders, namely: the European Association of BioIndustries (EuropaBio); the European Federation of Biotechnology (EFB); EFPIA/Emerging Biopharmaceutical Enterprises (EBE); and over 50 Patient Organizations (EPPOSI, IGA...).

EuroBiO 2008 (Paris, October 7-9), *under the Label of the EU Presidency*, will focus on **Innovation** and is expected to attract over 5,000 experts.

Previously, Eric served as Director General at The World Life Sciences Forum *BioVision*, launched in 1998 at the initiative of the first Vice President of the European Commission, Prime Minister Raymond Barre, also co-founder of the World Economic Forum in Davos.

Eric became concurrently Chief Executive Officer of *BioSquare* SAS, which he founded in 2001 to develop at the request of the European Commission a Partnering Event at the interface of Biotechs, Large Corporations, Finance and Research Institutions.

Eric's previous experience includes tenure as Chief Operating Officer for *Edap Technomed Inc.*, in **Boston**, which he helped lead to a successful IPO on NASDAQ following major FDA approvals that he monitored, and in the management of Capital Equipment at *Technomed International* (Lithotripsy, Thermotherapy, and High Intensity Focused Ultrasound).

Earlier experience also includes the Marketing Management of Nuclear Medicine at *Philips Medical Systems'* Headquarters in **The Netherlands**, following years of Business Development in **Japan** with Pechiney and other leading entities.

Eric holds an MS from Paris VI University (Jussieu), a post-graduate degree in Engineering/Fine Chemistry, and an MBA from ESSEC, in Paris.