

BIOVISION, The World Life Sciences Forum, organized since 1999 by an independent non-profit organization, la Fondation pour l'Université de Lyon, brings together international decision makers from the academic, private, policy-making and civil society sectors **to foster a productive dialogue** on life sciences discoveries and their impact on society, and **to translate innovative ideas into actionable solutions for the benefit of citizens**.

For entrepreneurs in the field of life sciences, BIOVISION offers two **unique events to facilitate European partnership opportunities**:

- **[BIOVISION Catalyzer](#), co-organized with Lyonbiopole for innovative projects and seed stage startups**
The programme will allow **selected innovative projects and seed stage startups** to connect with potential private and public partners while pitching in front of a **prestigious selection committee** from academia, industry, investors and civil society, **co-chaired** by **Michel Goldman**, Executive Director of Innovative Medicines Initiative and **Alexander von Gabain**, Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Innovation and Corporate Alliances at the Karolinska Institute.
- **[BIOVISION Investor Conference](#), co-organized with Lyonbiopole and France Biotech for Medtech, Biotech, e-Health start-ups and mid-sized companies**
International prestigious investor event, Investor Conference connects Medtech, Biotech, e-Health **start-ups and mid-sized companies** with relevant partners and financial investors. It includes workshops and Pitches sessions for selected companies seeking visibility, collaborations and/or funds within 18 months.
The 2015 selection committee is co-chaired by Florent Gros, Managing Director at Novartis Venture Funds and **Anne Horgan**, Associate at Sofinnova Partners.