IISART History 2009 to 2020





- During the 11th ICORR in 2009 in Kyoto, Japan, research and industry players encouraged the creation of an industrial association in the field of rehabilitation robotics. At the end of the congress, approx. 30 persons voted for the creation of such an association. The goal was to have the initiative presented during the ICORR 2011 in Zürich.
- Gery Colombo took on the mission to found IISART and had first discussions with different companies and associations starting in summer 2010

All of these institutions were supporting the idea





Founding members in 2011 at RehabWeek in Zurich



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Strong support form the founding leaders:



At the beginning, there were 4 working groups be

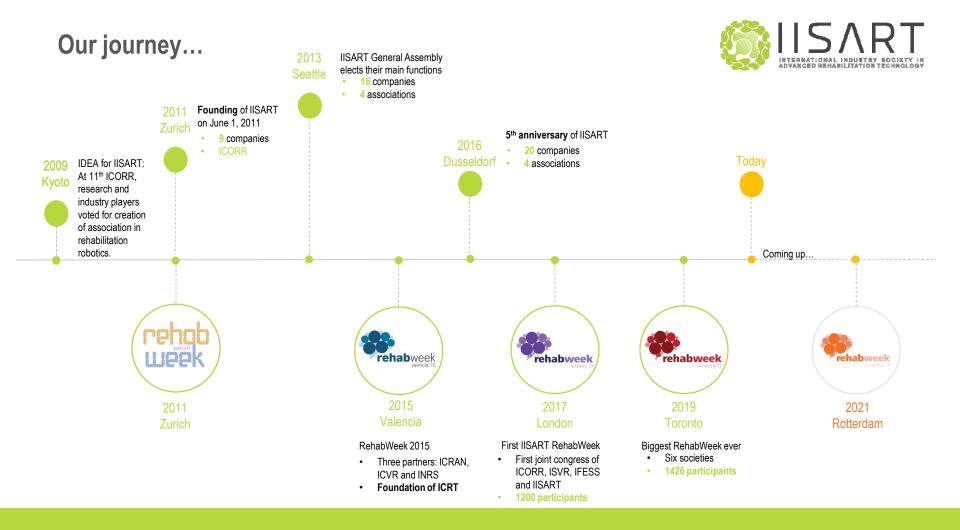
- President (Steering):
 - Gery Colombo @ Hocoma
- WG Promotion:
 - Steve Kelly @ Myomo
- WG Education:
 - Kathy Brady @ National Rehabilitation Hospital
- WG Healthcare Economics:
 - Emmanuel B. de Haller @ Hocoma
- WG Standards
 - Burkhard Zimmermann @ Hocoma

Current member overview (2019)



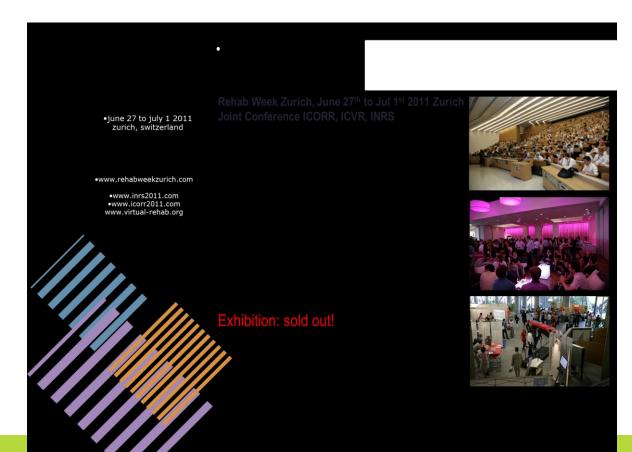






Rehab Week 2011





Rehab Week 2015



Rehab Week Valencia, June 2015 Joint Conference ICRAN, ICVR, INRS

Attendees: 507 from 39 Countries

RehabWeek: 138 INRS: 139 ICVR: 97 ICRAN: 99 Gala dinner: 123 Total attending people including all speakers and Exhibition Sold Out (39 Exibitors)



6th General Assembly IISART 2016





REHAB WEEK 2017 in London







- RehabWeek 2017 in London was a big success!!
- 1200 participants, of which 120 were registered as IISART members
- INRS sessions very well attended
- IISART-organized keynote speaker Dale Hull gave an amazing presentation
- Exhibition was very lively with lots of interactions
- Social events were a lot of fun and people were very engaged

New Associate Member: ISPRM





Signing during Rehab Week 2017



Common scientific/educational workshops about advanced technologies in rehabilitation



Education through eLearning modules about advanced technologies in rehabilitation



7th General Assembly IISART 2017





ICRT: International Consortium on rehabilitation technology



- Successful meeting on February 22nd 2018 to discuss bylaws
- Formal founding meeting on May 22nd
- Founding members: IISART, IFESS and ISVR
- ICORR also being formalized now, will join the consortium soon
- All four societies should be members by the end of the year at the latest
- A strong ICRT will mean more great RehabWeeks in the future...





8th General Assembly IISART 2018





REHAB WEEK 2019 in Toronto



- RehabWeek unites the most inspiring, innovative, and successful minds in rehabilitation technology.
- 2019: 1420 participants



Five reputable societies:

- IFESS International Functional Electrical Stimulation Society
- ICORR International Consortium on Rehabilitation Robotics
- IISART International Industry Society in Advanced Rehabilitation Technology
- ACRM American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine
- **RESNA** Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America

Future of IISART workshop June 23, 2019





- Workshop regarding the Future of IISART took place on June 23 before the start of the RehabWeek
- 7 member companies attended
- Topics:
 - SWOT analysis
 - Perceived benefits of IISART
 - Professional support
- IISART members met to discuss future challenges and opportunities during RehabWeek.
- It's always great to get together in person after collaboration online throughout the year.

2019: Handover to New Co-Presidency



Gery Colombo, PhD

- Founder and CEO Hocoma
- Founding president of IISART from 2011 to 2019







Martina Spiess, PhD, PT

- Senior Scientific Affairs Manager Hocoma
- I have been working...
 - In the field of neurorehabilitation for 20 years
 - In gait recovery research for 14 years
 - With rehabilitation technology for 5 years
- Conference Group Co-Chair since 2016, active in IISART conference group since 2014

Iris Jakob, PhD

- Scientific Coordinator Tyromotion
- I have been working...
 - In the field of movement analysis & training for 20 years
 - In biomechanics & rehabilitation research for 10 years
 - With rehabilitation technology for 7 years
- Active IISART involvement as member of the Promotion & Conference Group since 2013