



# FROM VISION TO DECISION

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## Dear MedViz Supporter

May & June passed so quickly that the present Newsletter covers both months. Several highlights explain why. First of all, I would like to remind you about the Dirk Bartz Prize for Visual Computing in Medicine 2013 from The Eurographics Association, won by Professor Ivan Viola & co-workers. This was a great international achievement and recognition of MedViz' work. The present 1st prize is also an international recognition of MedViz' owners, namely CMR, UiB and HUH who have prepared the ground for convergence between the different research areas, all in all to the best for the patients. Another highlight was the opening symposium for the new Center of Excellence: Center for Cancer Biomarkers (CCBIO) in close cooperation between UiB and HUH. CCBIO is founded and managed by Director, Professor Lars A. Akslen. In this number we have had the pleasure of meeting PhD student Radiograph Eli Eikefjord, who is carrying out her research on clinical application of MR Renography. Finally I would like to draw your attention to the Workshop that MedViz organized for our project leaders at Marsteinen Fyr (lighthouse) in the beginning of June, where both our future strategy and potential for innovation were on the agenda.

## Late events

**28.04.2013**

Fredrik Sævig, student at the Research School in Medicine won the 1st prize for the best presentation at the NFUD (Norwegian Society for Diagnostic Ultrasound in Medicine) in Sandefjord.

**06.05.2013**

Professor Ivan Viola and coworkers from MedViz won the international [Dirk Bartz Prize for Visual Computing in Medicine 2013](#) from The Eurographics Association in Girona, Spain.

**30.05.2013 and 27.06.2013**

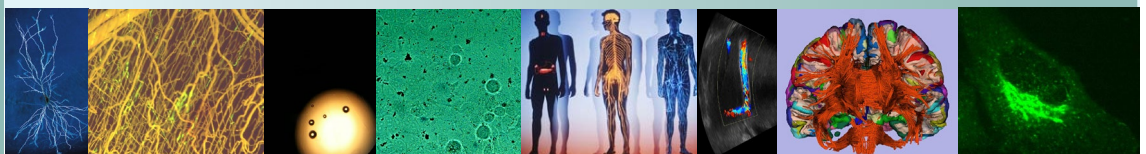
MedViz Walk&Talk was dedicated to bird observations this time, guided by amateur ornithologist Odd Helge, but in a professional way. We observed and heard the black bird (trost), great tit (kjøttmeis), blackcap (munk), willow warbler (løvsanger), meadow pipit (heipiplerke), raven (ravn) and Eurasian golden plover (heilo) as the terrain ascended towards Vidden.



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**30.-31.05.2013**

Opening symposium from the new Center of Excellence: Center for Cancer Biomarkers (CCBIO) founded and managed by Director, Professor Lars A. Akslen, and financed by the Norwegian Research Council (NFR).

**06.06.2013**

A new MedViz project was approved by the MedViz Leadership team. This project #13: Multimodal imaging in non-obstructive coronary artery disease, applied by Mai Tone Lønnebakken has been awarded 300.000 for the period June 2013 – November 2014. Congratulations!

**07.06.2013**

MedViz Workshop at Marsteinen lighthouse for our project leaders, where the following strategic questions were addressed:

- MedViz should be stimulated to continue the activity, but strengthen high quality scientific research in specific chosen areas of high potential to obtain international excellence and recognition
- MedViz needs to straighten its organization, moving from a virtual cluster to be a separate unit
- More national and international collaboration must be encouraged



**Have a nice summer!**

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