



The Public Population Project in Genomics (P³G): an International Consortium dedicated to fostering collaboration between researchers and projects in the field of population genomics, P³G develops, in an open and transparent manner, research tools for effective collaboration between biobanks so as to enable the international research community to share expertise and resources and facilitate knowledge transfer for the health of populations.

To learn more about P³G Consortium: please visit our website www.p3gconsortium.org

P³G OBSERVATORY: A PUBLIC, ACCESSIBLE RESEARCH TOOL

A central Internet repository for research data collected and developed by P³G, the *Observatory* is a knowledge transfer tool, aimed at facilitating the development, realization and harmonization of research projects.

P³G Observatory is currently undergoing its implementation phase. Three axes are being developed:

- 1. Description of biobank projects – to provide easy and rapid access to a standard description of biobanks including the designs, methods, ethical frameworks, variables, research tools and current status;**
- 2. Research tools for population studies – to help in the development and harmonization of phenotype and risk factor questionnaires by allowing centralized and easy access to questions asked in large population health studies around the world; and**
- 3. Harmonization between projects – the content will be determined through discussions and workshops within the P³G Consortium.**

All P³G's recommendations in terms of harmonized tools will be made available to the scientific community via P3G Observatory

IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT ALL COUNTRIES, WHETHER HAVING THE RESOURCES OR NOT TO DEVELOP POPULATION BIOBANK PROJECTS, WILL BE ABLE TO ACCESS THE P3G RESOURCES, THEREBY NARROWING THE DIVIDE BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.