



## **Tero Kivelä, MD, FEBO - Biography**

Born in 1960, Tero Kivelä is Professor and Chair, Department of Ophthalmology, University of Helsinki, Finland, since 2004, and Director of its Ocular Oncology Service since 1995.

Prof. Kivelä graduated as a MD from the University of Helsinki in 1985, defended his thesis on pathology of retinoblastoma for the degree of Doctor of Medical Sciences (PhD) in 1987, became Specialist in Ophthalmology (Consultant) in 1992, Docent (Reader) in Experimental Ophthalmology in 1992 after training in ophthalmic pathology, and Docent in Ophthalmology and Fellow of the European Board of Ophthalmology (FEBO) through its first Diploma Examination in 1995. He holds subspecialties in Hospital Administration since 1999 and in Ophthalmic Surgery since 2002. Appointments in the Helsinki University Central Hospital include Clinical Instructor and Vitreoretinal Surgeon in 1992-1994, Administrative Chief in 1995-2004, Head of Section, Ocular Oncology, Ophthalmic Pathology & Paediatric Ophthalmology in 1999-2004, and Acting Professor in Applied Ophthalmology in 2003-2004.

Prof. Kivelä has made an international career especially in ophthalmic pathology and ocular oncology. He became active in the International Society of Ophthalmic Pathology (ISOP) and the European Ophthalmic Pathology Society (EOPS) and was a founder member of the European Ophthalmic Oncology Group in 1991, becoming a Board Member and Secretary General for 1996-2002. He is also a founder member of the International Society of Ocular Oncology, its Board Member in 2002-2009, General Secretary in 2009-2011, and International Liaison since 2012. He is a pathology specialist in the IC3D Committee on International Classification of Corneal Dystrophies and a member of the Ocular Oncology Task Force of the American Joint Committee on Cancer. His other interests center on paediatric retina and statistics for ophthalmic research. Prof. Kivelä has supervised 11 doctoral dissertations and has over 200 scientific publications listed in MEDLINE. His Hirsch Index is 31.

Prof. Kivelä has held several offices in international organisations promoting education and research in ophthalmology: Board Member of the European Association for Vision and Eye Research (EVER) in 2001-2011, President in 2006 and Programme Secretary in 2007-2011; Academic Delegate of Finland in the European Board of Ophthalmology (EBO) in 2001-2008, Chair of its Recidency Exchange Committee and Vice President in 2001-2004, and President in 2005-2006; Board Member and Trustee of the International Council of Ophthalmology (ICO) since 2007; Member of the European Academy of Ophthalmology since 2006 and of Academia Ophthalmologica Internationalis (AOI) since 2012.

His previous awards include the Sigrid Jusélius Prize for Clinical Research, Finland, in 2001, Honorary Membership of the Hungarian Ophthalmological Society in 2009, Golden Medal of the Finnish Medical Society Duodecim in 2009, Synoptic Foundation Honorary Award, Denmark, in 2010, and Maud Kuistila Prize, Finland, for training young scientists in 2013.