The Human Brain Project (HBP; www.humanbrainproject.eu) is one of the two flagship projects that are funded by the European Union for the next ten years. Its goal is to build a new ICT infrastructure that will catalyze a global collaborative effort to understand the human brain, its diseases and to emulate its computational capabilities. After a number of years of preparation of the proposal, the HBP was selected and started in Oct 2013 with a consortium of about 80 European institutions and international partners. In this talk I will briefly outline the scientific goals of the project, how it is organized and our role in there.