

European Innovation Council Launch Ceremony

18 March 2021

Programme

9:30 – 9:40 **Introduction by Mark Ferguson (Director-General of Science Foundation Ireland & Chair of EIC Advisory Board)**

9:40 – 9:50 **Welcome statements/video messages from EC President and Heads of State.**

9:50 – 10:05 **EIC inauguration speech by EC Commissioner Gabriel**

10:05 – 10:20 **Viewpoints from the European Parliament (MEP Christian Ehler) and Council (Minister Manuel Heitor)**

10:20 – 11:05 **“Speed dating” exchanges** on the relevance of the EIC for the economic recovery:

10:20 – 10:35 EIC for building businesses from breakthrough science:

Speakers: **Ingmar Hoerr** (Founder and former CEO of CureVac), **Louis de Lillers** (CEO of CorWave) and **Silvia Scaglione** (President of React4Life)

Moderation: **Chris Sisserian** (Sifted)

10:35 – 10:50 EIC for investing in deep tech:

Hermann Hauser (Amadeus Capital), **Irina Haivas** (Partner at Atomico) and **Veronika Oudova** (Co-Founder and CEO of S-Biomedic)

Moderation: **Robin Wauters** (Tech.EU)

10:50 – 11:05 EIC for creating innovation ecosystems for sustainability:

Speakers: **Jim Snabe** (Chair, Siemens) and **Stavriana Kofteros** (Co-Founder of Startup Cyprus)

Moderation: **Jean-Eric Paquet** (Director-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission)

11:05 – 11:15 **Closing remarks by EVP Margrethe Vestager (tbc)**

Choreography

Start	End	What	Who
09.30	09.35	Welcome and opening	Mark Ferguson
09.35	09.40	Video carrousel from EIC National Champions	
09.40	09.42	Introduction of statements	Mark Ferguson
09.42	09.45	Video statement by President von der Leyen	
09.45	09.48	Statement by Heads of State	
09.48	09.50	Transition and intro of Commissioner	Mark Ferguson
09.50	10.05	Speech by Commissioner	Commissioner Gabriel
10.05	10.07	Intro of MEP Ehler	Mark Ferguson
10.07	10.12	Speech by MEP Ehler	MEP Ehler
10.12	10.14	Intro Minister Heitor	Mark Ferguson
10.14	10.19	Speech by Minister Heitor	Minister Heitor
10.19	10.21	Intro short sessions	Mark Ferguson
10.21	10.22	EIC launch video	
		EIC for building businesses from breakthrough science	
10.22	10.24	Short opening + intro of first panellist with question	Chris Sisserian
10.24	10.26	Answer panellist 1	Ingmar Hoerr
10.26	10.27	Intro of second panellist with question	Chris Sisserian
10.27	10.29	Answer panellist 2	Silvia Scaglione
10.29	10.30	Intro of third panellist with question	Chris Sisserian
10.30	10.32	Answer panellist 3	Louis de Lillers
10.32	10.33	Question to all	Chris Sisserian
10.33	10.34	Answer panellist 3	Louis de Lillers
10.34	10.35	Answer panellist 2	Silvia Scaglione
10.35	10.36	Answer panellist 1	Ingmar Hoerr
10.36	10.37	Conclusion / pass the flow to next moderator	Chris Sisserian
		EIC for investing in deep tech	
10.37	10.39	Short opening + intro of first panellist with question	Robin Wauters
10.39	10.41	Answer panellist 1	Hermann Hauser
10.41	10.42	Intro of second panellist wit question	Robin Wauters
10.42	10.44	Answer panellist 2	Irina Haivas
10.44	10.45	Intro of third panellist with question	Robin Wauters
10.45	10.47	Answer panellist 3	Veronika Oudova
10.47	10.48	Question to all	Robin Wauters
10.48	10.49	Answer panellist 3	Veronika Oudova
10.49	10.50	Answer panellist 2	Irina Haivas
10.50	10.51	Answer panellist 1	Hermann Hauser
10.51	10.52	Conclusion / pass the flow to next moderator	Robin Wauters
		EIC for creating innovation ecosystems for sustainability	
10.52	10.54	Short opening + intro of first panellist with question	Jean-Eric Paquet
10.54	10.56	Answer panellist 1	Jim Snabe
10.56	10.57	Intro of second panellist wit question	Jean-Eric Paquet
10.57	10.59	Answer panellist 2	Stavriana Kofteros
10.59	11.00	Question to panellist 2	Jean-Eric Paquet
11.00	11.02	Answer panellist 2	Stavriana Kofteros
11.02	11.03	Question to panellist 1	Jean-Eric Paquet
11.03	11.05	Answer panellist 1	Jim Snabe

11.05	11.07	Conclusion	Jean-Eric Paquet
11.07	11.15	Closing remarks	EVP Margrethe Vestager