

# Horizon 2020 – New Commission, new Agenda

## The 2015 Science|Business Horizon 2020 Conference

Brussels, 24 March 2015

### Preliminary programme

#### 09:30 Introduction

**Tibor Navracsics**, EU Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport

#### 10:00 Mobilising investments for innovation

In an effort to attract private capital to innovation, a series of new initiatives have been launched: JTIs, JUs, PPPs, President Juncker's new Investment Plan, and more. How will they work? Can they work?

**Waldemar Kütt**, Head of Unit for Biobased products and processing unit, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission

**Scott Cain**, Executive Director, Future Cities Catapult, INNOVATE UK

**Shiva Dustdar**, Head of RDI Advisory, European Investment Bank

Moderated by **Richard L. Hudson**, CEO & Editor, Science|Business

#### 11:00 Coffee

#### 11:25 Defining Impact under Horizon 2020

With Horizon2020, the Commission made 'delivering impact' one of the three main criteria for getting a grant. What does it mean?

**Rosalinde van der Vlies**, Head of Unit for Evaluation, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission

**Chris Haenen**, Director EU Funding, GE

**Sergio Bertolucci**, Director for Research and Computing, CERN

Moderated by **John Wood**, Secretary General of the Association of Commonwealth Universities

#### 12:10 Breakout sessions

Parallel sessions on:

- **Horizon 2020: How has it been for you?**

Workshop for Horizon 2020 recipients and applicants to share their experience in responding to the 2014 calls. Two-stage application process, success rates, ethics review, evaluators feedback, what are your takeaways?

**Muriel Attané**, Secretary-General, EARTO

**Donatella Sciuto**, Vice Rector, Politecnico di Milano

**Roy Pennings**, Managing Consultant, PNO

- **Disease prevention. Dementia, Cardiovascular disease, Oncology**

The Commission has set 'enabling a healthy, ageing society' as one of its 'Grand Challenges' under Horizon 2020 – but what, exactly, does that require? A forward-looking discussion on an emerging issue that EU healthcare R&D will need to address from 2016 onwards.

**Sudesh Kumar**, Dean, Warwick Medical School; Director of Institute of Digital Healthcare, WMG

**Ann Uustalu**, Research Programme Manager - Public Health, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission

**Martin Pan**, EU+Canada Medical Affairs, Biogen Idec (tbc)

- **Horizon 2020: A programme with global ambitions**

Horizon 2020 is unique by its openness and the opportunities it offers in terms of international cooperation. What are the EU's objectives? What are the concrete outcomes? What has been the interest of non-EU researchers so far?

**Kostas Glinos**, Head of Unit Strategy, EFTA and enlargement countries, Russia, Asia and Pacific, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission

**Abdelhamid El-Zoheiry**, President, EMUNI

**Ann Katherine Isaacs**, Rector's Delegate for European Programmes: Research and Higher Education, University of Pisa

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- 13:00** Lunch
- 14:00** Video interview with Carlos Moedas, EU Commissioner for Research and Innovation
- 14:15** **Horizon 2020: Lessons learned from the launch**  
 A year on, how is Horizon 2020 going – on a practical level? Evaluation, success rates, cash flow... The view from the Commission, plus the strategic outlook for 2016 and beyond.  
 Introduction by **Wolfgang Burtscher**, Deputy Director-General, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission  
 Panel discussion:  
**Wolfgang Burtscher**, Deputy Director-General, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission  
**Maya Said**, Vice President - Head of Strategy, Science Policy & External Innovation, Sanofi Global R&D  
**Rik Torfs**, Rector, KU Leuven  
**Karen Markides**, President Chalmers University of Technology  
 Moderated by **Richard L. Hudson**, CEO & Editor, Science|Business
- 15:10** Coffee
- 15:30** **Horizon 2020: For education and innovation**  
 Introduction by **Xavier Prats Monné**, Director-General, DG Education and Culture, European Commission
- 15:50** **Horizon 2020: Taking stock of the programmes**  
 Horizon2020 is a collection of programmes that include the ERC grants, Marie Skłodowska-Curie, the SME instrument, the EIT and Future and Emerging Technologies. A detailed discussion of their progress with programme leaders.  
**Key Enabling Technologies:** **Clara de la Torre**, Director for Key Enabling Technologies, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission  
**Future Emerging Technologies:** **Thierry Van der Pyl**, Director, Excellence in Science, DG Communications Networks, Content and Technology, European Commission  
**The SME instrument and access to finance:** **Jean-David Malo**, Head of Unit for SMEs, Financial instruments and State Aid, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission  
**The EIT and the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions:** **Xavier Prats Monné**, Director-General, DG Education and Culture, European Commission
- 16:40** **Foresight 2030: Future Challenges for Europe**  
 Innovation megatrends that will transform society and economy: The result of a Science|Business Network foresight exercise.  
**Matthew W. Ganz**, President, Boeing Germany and Northern Europe; Vice-President, European Technology Strategy, The Boeing Company  
**Hannu Seristö**, Vice President External relations, Aalto University  
**Quentin Compton-Bishop**, CEO, Warwick Ventures  
 Moderated by **Daria Golebiowska-Tataj**, Founder & CEO, Tataj Innovation
- 17:30** Networking reception