

Connecting European Chambers – 6th edition

29 JUNE – 1 JULY 2021

online

PROGRAMME

DAY 1: 29 June Plenary conference - participants will learn about EU-funded programmes from European Commission officials

9.30 – 9.40

Introductory words, Ben Butters, CEO of EUROCHAMBRES

Presentation of the main EU-funded programmes:

9.40 – 10.00

- **Erasmus+ | Skills**

Guillaume Jagle, Policy Officer, Erasmus+: Schools, vocational education and training, skills and adult education, DG EAC

10.00 – 10.20

- **LIFE | Sustainability**

Christophe Reffay, Deputy Head of Unit LIFE Environment (Nature and Circular Economy), CINEA

- short break -

10.30 – 10.50

- **DIGITAL EUROPE | Innovation & Digitalisation**

Claudia Oros, Programme Officer - Digital policies and funding programmes, DG CNECT

10.50 – 11.10

- **NDICI | Internationalisation, Neighbourhood & Enlargement**

Javier Raya Aguado, Deputy Head of Unit, Coordination and oversight of Financing Instruments DG INTPA

11.10 – 11.30

- **Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance | Neighbourhood & Enlargement**

Mauro Di Veroli, Head of sector IPA planning, reporting and coordination for Western Balkans, DG NEAR

- short break -

11.40 – 12.00

- **EUIPO – Ideas powered for business | Entrepreneurship & SMEs**

Alessandro Corrado, Seconded National Expert, EUIPO Agency (tbc)

12.00 – 12.20

- **AMIF | Skills**

Tina Svendstrup, Head of Unit Funds Programming and Procedures, DG HOME (tbc)

-long break -

14.00 – 14.20

- **InvestEU | Entrepreneurship & SMEs**

Martin KOCH, Policy Officer – InvestEU, DG ECFIN

- 14.20 – 14.40**

 - **Technical Support Instrument | *Multisectoral***
Kaspar Richter, Head of Unit, Growth and Business Environment, DG REFORM

- short break -
- 14.50 – 15.10**

 - **SME Pillar | *Entrepreneurship & SMEs***
Rachel Smith, Policy Officer, SMEs Unit, DG GROW
- 15.10 – 15.30**

 - **Interreg | *Multisectoral***
David Matzek-Lichtenstein, Planning and Programming Officer - Macroregional strategies and post2020 programming, DG REGIO
- 15.30 – 16.00**

 - **Horizon Europe | *Multisectoral***
Aleksandra Kordecka, Head of Unit Common Strategic Planning & Programming Service, DG RTD (tbc)
- 16.00 – 16.20**

Presentation of the Communities of Interest
Giulia Rocchi, Head of Cabinet and Members' Relations Coordinator

DAY 2: 30 June Working sessions - Chamber participants will be invited to take part in working sessions of their choice for networking and for a discussion on potential common actions, factoring in relevant new or recent calls for proposal in the field

- 9.30 – 11.00**

Neighbourhood & Enlargement
Moderators: Ana Sarateanu and Oya Ersoz, EUROCHAMBRES
- 11.15 – 12.45**

Innovation & Digitalisation
Moderator: Laurent Volle, CCI Bourgogne Franche-Comté
- 13.30 – 15.00**

Internationalisation
Moderators: Laura Velasco and Nicoletta Favaretto, EUROCHAMBRES

DAY 3: 1 July Working sessions - Chamber participants will be invited to take part in working sessions of their choice for networking and for a discussion on potential common actions, factoring in relevant new or recent calls for proposal in the field

- 9.30 – 11.00**

Sustainability
Moderator: Geoffrey Saliba, Malta Business Bureau
- 11.15 – 12.45**

Entrepreneurship & SMEs
Moderators: Greta Bilanzola and Lisa Vallese, EUROCHAMBRES
- 13.30 – 15.00**

Skills
Moderator: Birgit Arens, EUROCHAMBRES