

How to exit the recession
& achieve smart growth



SME Finance Forum

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Hosted by European Commission Vice-President and Commissioner in charge of Industry and Entrepreneurship **Antonio Tajani**.

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- 09.00 - 09.30** **Registration and welcome breakfast**
- 09.30 - 09.35** **Introduction**
Heinz Zourek, *Director-General of DG Enterprise and Industry*
- 09.35 - 09.50** **Opening speech**
Antonio Tajani, *Vice-President and Commissioner for Industry and Entrepreneurship*
- 09.50 - 10.00** **Keynote speech**
Reinhilde Veugeliers, *Professor, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven and Resident Scholar, Bruegel*
- 10.00 - 11.00** **Plenary session – Access to credit in Europe: what's wrong?**
- Corrado Passera, *CEO, Intesa Sanpaolo*
 - Gérard Rameix, *Médiateur national du crédit aux entreprises*
 - Georg Toifl, *President, European Association of Craft, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (UEAPME)*
 - Dario Scannapieco, *Vice-President, European Investment Bank*
 - Wolf Klinz, *Member of the European Parliament*
- Moderator: Heinz Zourek, *Director-General of DG Enterprise and Industry*
- 11.00 - 11.30** **Coffee break**
- 11.30 - 13.00** **Parallel working sessions**
- 1. Smart regulations for smart growth**
- Introduction: David Wright, *Deputy Director-General DG Internal Market and Services*
- John Hollows, *Chief Risk Officer, KBC Group*
 - Arnold J.A.M. Kuijpers, *Executive Vice-President, Rabobank Netherlands*
 - Uli W. Fricke, *Managing General Partner, Triangle Venture Capital Group*
 - Barbara Weiler, *Member of the European Parliament*
 - Othmar Karas, *Member of the European Parliament*
- Moderator: Adriana Cerretelli, *Il Sole 24 Ore*
- 2. Equity markets and guarantees for smart growth**
- Introduction: Jenny Rosberg, *Senior Vice-President, NASDAQ OMX*
- Richard Pelly, *CEO, European Investment Fund*
 - Giuseppe Pezzetto, *President, EuroFidi*
 - Hendrik Brandis, *Managing Partner, Earlybird Venture Capital*
 - Peter Mader, *President, Bundesverband Metall*
 - Carlo Altomonte, *Associate Professor, Università Bocconi*
- Moderator: Dirk De Wilde, *De Tijd*
- 3. A roadmap for Europe 2020: How to return to the growth path**
- Introduction: Matthias Kollatz-Ahnen, *Vice-President, European Investment Bank*
- Anne Glover, *CEO, Amadeus Capital Partners*
 - Giorgio Natalino Guerrini, *President, Confartigianato*
 - Małgorzata Starczewska-Krzysztożek, *Director, Polish Confederation of Private Employers Lewiatan (PKPP Lewiatan)*
 - Hugh Morgan-Williams, *Chair of BUSINESSEUROPE's SME and Entrepreneurship Committee, BUSINESSEUROPE*
- Moderator: Antonio Preto, *Head of Cabinet of Vice-President Antonio Tajani*
- 13.00 - 14.30** **Networking lunch**
- 14.30 - 15.30** **Plenary session – How to exit the recession and achieve smart growth**
- Introduction & moderator: Françoise Le Bail, *Deputy Director-General of DG Enterprise and Industry and SME Envoy*
- Edit Herczog, *Member of the European Parliament*
 - Matthias Kollatz-Ahnen, *Vice-President, European Investment Bank*
 - Adriana Cerretelli, *Il Sole 24 Ore*
 - Alessandro Barberis, *President, EUROCHAMBRES*
- 15.30 - 16.00** **Conclusions**
Antonio Tajani, *Vice-President and Commissioner for Industry and Entrepreneurship*