

**Conference on the Common Strategic Framework for EU Research and Innovation
(June 10, 2011 – Brussels – Charlemagne building, Rue de la Loi 170)
Programme**

8:30 Start of registration

8:45-9:15 Welcome coffee

9:15-10:00 Opening session

Welcome by: Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science

Speakers:

- Keynote address by Olli Rehn, Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs;
- Address by Marisa Matias, MEP;
- Address by Zoltán Cséfalvay, Minister of State for Economic Strategy, Hungary.

10:00-11:30 Strengthening Europe's science base and European Research Area

Moderator: Maria Da Graça Carvalho, MEP

Speakers:

- Introduction: Andreu Mas-Colell, Minister of Economy and Knowledge, Government of Catalonia;
- Helga Nowotny, President of the ERC Scientific Council;
- Dieter Imboden, President of Eurohorcs;
- Rolf Heuer, Director General of CERN.

Round table

Q+A

11:30-11:50 Coffee break

11:50-13:15 Tackling societal challenges

Moderator: Benoit Cerexhe, Gouvernement bruxellois - Ministre de l'Economie, de l'Emploi, de la Recherche scientifique, du Commerce, du Commerce extérieur ainsi que Ministre de la Cocof chargé de la Santé, de la Formation des Classes Moyennes et de la Fonction Publique

Speakers:

- Introduction: Janez Potočnik, Commissioner for Environment;
- Marion Guillou, President of the French National Institute for Agricultural Research;
- Mary G Baker, President of the European Brain Council;
- Patrick Cunningham, Chief Scientific Adviser to the Irish government.

Intervention from:

Hans Hofstraat, Vice President Philips Research, Philips - Healthcare Strategic Partnerships.

Round table

Q+A

13:20-14:50 *Lunch (hot and cold buffet)*

14:50-16:20 **Strengthening competitiveness**

Moderator: Diogo Vasconcelos, Distinguished Fellow with Cisco's Internet Business Solutions Group (IBSG)

Speakers:

- Introduction: Michel Barnier, Commissioner for Internal Market and Services;
- Jean Therme, Director of Technological Research, Commissariat à l'énergie atomique;
- Nevio Di Giusto, Director General, Centro Ricerche Fiat;
- Andrew Bissell, Director, Cundall Light4.

Round table

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16:30-17:00 **Concluding session**

Maria Elżbieta Orłowska, Secretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland

Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science