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**Panel seminar on
The Effects of the Financial Crisis on European Research Policy**

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AGENDA

Welcome by Janez Potočnik, Commissioner for Research

Panel discussions moderated by Richard L. Hudson

1) The potential effects of the financial crisis on R&D

Mathias Dewatripont, Université Libre de Bruxelles and CEPR
Finance and public economic policies (including public sector R&D)

Jean Pisani-Ferry, University of Paris Dauphine and BRUEGEL
Financial crisis and industrial reactions (businesses and private investments)

Richard Portes, London Business School and CEPR
International finance and macro-economics

Dialogue and remarks from other panellists and the floor

2) Adequate reactions of research policy

Erkki Ormala, Vice President, Technology and Trade Policy, Nokia
An industrial view

Volker Meyer-Guckel, Deputy Secretary-General, Donors' Association for the
Promotion of Sciences and Humanities in Germany
A Member State view

Dominique Foray, University of Lausanne and CEPR
*The impact on the globalization of research and on the possible role of research
and innovation specialization to reinforce EU competitiveness*

Reinhilde Veugelers, Catholic University of Leuven and CEPR
*The contribution of ERA objectives to help EU research to face the consequences
of the crisis*

Dialogue and remarks from other panellists and the floor

3) Research policy recommendations for Europe

Conclusions by experts, by Richard Hudson and by Commissioner Janez Potočnik