



ACCESS TO RISK FINANCE

Growth enhancing EU
financial instruments for RDI

Athenaeum InterContinental
Athens, 12 & 13 June 2014



EU Greek Presidency conference on

“Growth Enhancing EU financial instruments for RDI”

Athens, 12th-13th of June 2014
the Athenaeum InterContinental Hotel

Draft Agenda

THURSDAY, JUNE 12TH

12.00-13.00 Registration

13.00-13.20 Welcome Address by the Prime Minister of Greece (TBC)

13.20-13.40 Opening

- *Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, EU Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science*
- *Christos Vasilakos, General Secretary of Research & Technology*

13.40-14.30

Introduction: Financing innovation for a smart, sustainable and inclusive growth

Speakers:

- *Philippe de Fontaine-Vive, Vice-President of the EIB*
- *Kostis Hatzidakis, Greek Minister for Development and Competitiveness (TBC)*
- *Constantinos Arvanitopoulos, Greek Minister of Education and Religious Affairs (TBC)*
- *Jean-Marie Le Guen, French Secretary of State for Parliamentary Relations (TBC)*
- *Elisa Robles, Director General of the Spanish Center for Industrial Technological Development*
- *Edwige Avice, French Minister for Co-operation and Development*

Moderator: Christos Vasilakos, General Secretary of Research & Technology

14.30-14.45

Signature of the Delegation Agreement between the EU Commissioner, the Vice President of the EIB and the Chief Executive of the EIF relating to the Horizon 2020 Financial Instruments

Signature of the Framework Partnership Agreement between the EU and the EIB relating to the Horizon 2020 Technical and Financial Advisory Service for Risk Finance in RDI and of its first Specific Grant Agreement for the period 2014-2017

14.50-15.10 Coffee Break



Plenary session: The counter-cyclical role of Financial Instruments

Speakers:

15.10-16.00

- *Thomas Haven, Senior Private Sector Development Specialist, World Bank*
- *Thomas Werner, Head of the Capital Markets/Financial Structure Division, Directorate General Economics, ECB*
- *Alan Paic, Head of Investment Compact for South East Europe, OECD*
- *Bengt-Åke Lundvall, Professor at Aalborg University, Former Deputy Director at the Directorate for Science, Technology and Industry*
- *Giannis Papadopoulos, Coordinator for innovation strategy at the Hellenic Ministry of Development and Competitiveness*

Moderator: Julia Taddei, European Commission

Plenary session: RDI State Aids Framework

Speakers:

16.00-17.20

- *Paolo Cesarini, Head of Unit Innovation & Risk Capital, DG COMP*
- *Pascal Belmin, VP, Head of EU Law, Competition Policy and Legal Lobbying, Airbus Group*
- *Jan van den Biesen, Vice-President Public R&D programmes, Philips Research*
- *Michele Cincera, Director of Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management*
- *Serge Durande, Of Counsel of the Paris and Brussels Bar, Bird & Bird*
- *Muriel Attané, Secretary General, EARTO*
- *Agni Spilioti, Director, Directorate for the Support of Research Programs, General Secretariat for Research & Technology*

Moderator: Maria Kayamanidou, European Commission

Plenary session: Boosting EU contribution for higher competitiveness first part: RSFF final beneficiaries experience

Speakers:

17.20-18.00

- *Nicholas Jennett, Director, EIB*
- *Pedro Párbole, Innovation Director of Acciona*
- *Vassilios Katsos, President, Pharmathen*
- *Carlo Rizzuto, President of ELETTRA, former Chair of ESFRI*

Moderator: Jean-David Malo, European Commission

Plenary session: Boosting EU contribution for higher competitiveness second part: RSI financial intermediary experience

Speakers:

18.00-18.40

- *Pier Luigi Gilibert, Chief Executive, EIF*
- *Bernhard Sagmeister, Managing Director Austria Wirtschaftsservice Gesellschaft*
- *Pascal Lagarde, Executive Director in charge of Strategy, Bpifrance*
- *Georgios Gerontoukos, President of the Hellenic Fund for Entrepreneurship & Development*

Moderator: Jean-David Malo, European Commission



Introduction to 4 parallel sessions on debt instruments

Session 1 RSI II and SME Initiative

- Rémi Charrier, Head of Strategic Development Guarantees & Debt, EIF
- Roger Havenith, Head of Unit, DG ECFIN
- Matthias Bischof, Representative of the Network of European Financial Institutions for SMEs, Austria Wirtschaftsservice GmbH
- Ana Lozano-Vivas, Professor of Economics at University of Malaga, Consultant for Bank of Luxembourg, OECD, IMF
- Daniel Cloquet, Director for SMEs and Entrepreneurship, BUSINESSEUROPE
- Anastasia Avgerinou, General Manager of the Hellenic Fund for Entrepreneurship & Development

Rapporteur: Jose Figueiredo, President of the Association of Guarantee Societies

Session 2 Complementing financial instrument: SME Instrument

- Marco Malacarne, Head of Operations of the Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME)
- Marie-Cécile Rouillon, European Commission
- Uffe Bundgaard-Jorgensen, Chair of the Expert Advisory Group on SME Instrument
- Ben Butters, Director, EUROCHAMBRES
- William Stevens, Founder and Managing Director, Europe Unlimited

Rapporteur: Panagiotis Karniouras, Coordinator PRAXI Network

18.40-19.40

Session 3 Ambitious RDI projects: Research Infrastructures and First of a Kind Demonstration Projects

- Marc D'hooge, Managerial Adviser, EIB
- Tom Barrett, Director, EIB
- Nicolas Brahy, Manager for Legal Matters and Financial Engineering, FCH-JU
- Allen Weeks, Deputy Director General, ESS
- Dimitri Corpakis, Head of Unit, European Commission
- Costas Fotakis, President, FORTH

Rapporteur: Julia Taddei, European Commission

Session 4 RSFF II, GFI, MCI: Increasing the leverage effect through potential partnerships for long term investment

- Christoph Kuhn, Head of Division, EIB
- Panagiotis Georgalas, CFO, Pharmathen SA Group
- Gerald Voss, Director Vaccine Development Partnerships, GSK
- Thomas Keitel, Senior Advisor, Homburg & Partner
- Andreas Persidis, CEO Biovista Inc. - President of the Hellenic Biocluster

Rapporteur: Shiva Dustdar, Head of RDI advisory, EIB



FRIDAY, JUNE 13TH

09:00-09:30

Plenary session: Socially Responsible Investment

- *Marc Schublin, Director, EIB*
- *Annie Degen, Special Advisor Long-Term Finance, UNEP Finance Initiative*
- *Cordula Glitzner, Head of EU Representation, KfW*
- *Julia Taddei, European Commission*

Moderator: Ignacio Puente Gonzalez, European Commission

09.30-10.30

Introduction to 4 parallel sessions on equity: Innovation 4 Innovation: meeting the market and societal demand [GIF]

Session 1 VC/BA

- *Matthias Ummenhofer, Head Venture Capital, EIF*
- *Paulo Andrez, Emeritus President, EBAN*
- *Luigi Amati, Vice President in charge of Policy Affairs, BAE*
- *Eli Even, Head of Research Authority, Bar Ilan University*
- *Giannis Papadopoulos, Co-founder & CEO Attica Ventures, President, HVCA*
- *Loukas Pilitsis, Head of Venture Capital and Private Equity Piraeus Bank Group*
- *Andreas Zombanakis, Chairman of the Board of Directors & CEO, TANE0 S.A.*

Rapporteur: Thibault Danjou, Managing Director at Augusta Pte Ltd (Singapore) and Director of the Founder Institute in Tokyo

Session 2 Towards a pan European Fund of funds

- *Martin Koch, European Commission*
- *Antigoni Lympelopoulou, Investment Manager, TANE0 S.A*
- *Jouni Hakala, President, EVFIN*
- *Isabelle Bebear, Director of International Affairs and Business Development, Bpifrance, Member of Athena*

Rapporteur: Lorenzo Costantino, Chair of the Expert Advisory Group on Access to Risk Finance

Session 3 TTFF

- *Patrick McCutcheon, European Commission*
- *Evelyn Smith, Manager - EU R&I Liaison, Enterprise Ireland*
- *Stefanie Possek, Director Ascenion GmbH - TTO*
- *Patrick Terroir, Private Lawyer, Former Deputy General Manager, Caisse des Dépôts Propriété Intellectuelle*
- *Pekka Soini, CEO, Tekes*

Rapporteur: Giancarlo Caratti, Head of Unit, JRC

Session 4 Alternative sources of funding, crowd funding and philanthropy

- *Agata Janaszczyk, European Commission*
- *Iwona Mertin, Advisor EU Affairs, Eurochambres*
- *Theo Schuyt, Professor Philanthropic Studies, VU University Amsterdam*
- *Valto Loikkanen, Co-Founder CrowdValley and Chairman Equity Crowdfunding*
- *Ronald Kleverlaan, Senior Crowdfunding Strategist, Vice-Chairman, European Crowdfunding Network*



Rapporteur: Barbara Gábor, European Commission

10.30-11.00 Coffee break

Plenary session: Uniting Policies for Growth Enhancement

Speakers:

11.00-12.30

- *Eric Paradis, Director, DG BUDG*
- *Joanna Drake, Director, DG ENTR*
- *Rudolf Niessler, Director, DG REGIO*
- *Humberto Delgado Rosa, Director, DG CLIMA*
- *Keir Fitch, Head of Unit, DG MOVE*
- *Clara de la Torre, Director, DG RTD*

Moderator: Jean-David Malo, European Commission

12.30-14.00 Lunch break

Conclusion: Long term financing for Research and Innovation: towards a renewed strategy

Speakers:

14.00-15.30

- *Gerassimos Thomas, Director, DG ECFIN*
- *Dominique de Crayencour, Secretary General of the Long-Term Investors Club and Association ELTI and LTIC*
- *Pierre-Etienne Franc, President FCH-JU, Vice-President Air Liquide*
- *Franco Bassanini, President Cassa di Depositi e Prestiti*
- *Lutz-Christian Funke, Vice-President, KfW*
- *Odile Renaud-Basso, Deputy CEO, Caisse des Dépôts*

Moderator: Jean-David Malo, European Commission

15.30-16.00

Concluding Remarks

Wolfgang Burtscher, Deputy General Director, DG RTD

16:00

Final Announcements

- *Christos Vasilakos, Secretary General of Research & Technology, Greece*
- *First Secretary or the Ambassador of Italy in Athens*
- *Andris Liepiņš, Deputy State Secretary Ministry of Economics of Latvia*