



Informal meeting of Ministers for Research (Competitiveness Council) 'Future Perfect' Programme

11 April 2011 Monday

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Afternoon	Arrival at Budapest Ferihegy Airport
20:00	Gala dinner, venue: Museum of Fine Arts
12 April 2011 Tuesday	
09:00 - 09:30	Arrival at Royal Palace of Gödöllő
09:30 - 10:30	Working session – presentations
	First hand experience - FP7
	Invited speakers:
	Kari Komulainen, Director, Global Operations, TEKES
	 Hans-Jörg Bullinger, President, Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft
	 Jos Engelen, Chairman, The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)
	 Toivo Maimets, Chair, Estonian Science Foundation
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 11:45	Working session - plenary discussion
	First hand experience (FP7)
11:45 - 12:15	Family photo
	Press conference with the participation of Commissioner Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, the Ministers of the Trio(ES, BE, HU) and the Minister of Poland
12:15 - 13:15	Working lunch for Ministers
	Lunch talk delivered by Prof. Peter Csermely, Chairman of the Hungarian National Talent Support Council, Descartes-awardee:
	"Science, innovation and talent support networks: take-home messages of billion years-old best networking practices"
13:15 - 13.30	Key Note Speech:

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

13:15 - 14:30

Break-out sessions

- chaired by Ministers and co-chaired by speakers of the morning session

Envisioning the future – Towards a Common Strategic Framework for Research and Innovation funding

- **1./ Unleashing Innovation** How best to cover the full innovation cycle from research to market. How best to leverage investment in R&D and innovation via new financial instruments. How best to deploy public procurement, standardization and IPR as innovation tools.
- Chair: Minister of Belgium; Co-Chair: Hans-Jörg Bullinger
- **2./ Addressing the Grand Challenges** How best to join forces to address the grand challenges Europe is facing in areas such as health, energy, food and resources.

Chair: Minister of Poland; Co-Chair: Kari Komulainen

- **3./ Strengthening Europe's Science Base** Frontier research in support of world class excellence and first class research infrastructures.
- Chair: Minister of Hungary; Co-Chair: *Jos Engelen*
- **4./ Spreading Excellence** How best to ensure that excellence is spread throughout Europe as a whole to avoid a research and innovation divide.
- Chair: Minister of Spain; Co-Chair: *Toivo Maimets*

14:45 - 15:15

Coffee break

15:15 - 16:15

Plenary working session

Summary of break-out sessions

- Martin Schuurmans: Presentation on the EIT's Strategic Innovation Agenda
- Norbert Kroó: Presentation on the NEKIFUT Programme Closing Remarks