

Growth & Innovation

The new European research agenda

Talk on 22nd Jan 2015 at 12:00pm

Location: Bruegel

We are pleased to announce a panel discussion with Commissioner Moedas on the new European research agenda.

Europe has great expectations on science, research, technology and innovation as the sources of future sustainable growth. New ideas from fields such as digital technology, new materials and biotechnology are expected to generate economic growth and competitiveness, while addressing new global societal demands related to ageing, health, the environment, security and inclusion. But these expectations have to be squared with a history of not brilliant performance, despite ambitious EU research policy plans, like the Lisbon 3% target, the Innovation Union Flagship, the European Research Area, along with Horizon2020. Will more of the same do, do we need a game changing new perspective in the EU research agenda or do we just need to walk the talk?

The event will be introduced by Bruegel senior fellow Reinhilde Veugelers, sketching the main challenges for the European Research Agenda.

Frank Luyten and Bart De Moor will provide testimonies from excellent researchers based in Europe on the challenges they face when trying to bring their frontier ideas closer to the market.

Commissioner Moedas will present his views on the European research agenda, after which an open debate will follow.

Speakers

- **Carlos Moedas**, European Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science
- **Frank Luyten**, Professor in Biomedical Sciences and a co-founder of Tigenix, a biotech spin-off currently in phase II & III trials in Europe.
- **Bart De Moor**, Professor in electrical engineering, data mining and bio-informatics, a co-founder of several spin-offs, and actively advising Flemish/Belgian Science Policy.
- **Magda Chlebus**, EFPIA Director of Science Policy
- **Sebastian Gerlach**, Senior Manager, External Affairs, Microsoft
- Chair: **Reinhilde Veugelers**, Senior Fellow at Bruegel

Practical Details

- **Venue:** Bruegel, Rue de la Charité 33, 1210 Brussels
- **Time:** Thursday 22nd January 2014, 12:00-13:45. Lunch will be served at 11:45 after which the event begins at 12:00.
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