

Innovation ecosystem – the key tool for the regional development in the 21st. century

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Topics of the conference

- Role of the innovation ecosystem in the regional development
- Life Sciences as key sector for innovation within the EU
- Capacity building towards higher innovation performance
- How can policymakers support open innovation and co-creation as key concepts for innovation development?
- Targeted support of the networking by the regional policymakers

Why should you attend?

- To gain understanding about the concept of innovation ecosystem and its role in the regional development
- To understand specificities of the Life Sciences innovation ecosystem
- To find out how capacity building can improve innovation performance in your region
- To understand new trends in policy development towards innovation
- To examine how to implement the open innovation concept in your region

Target audience

- Local/regional/national/EU policymakers
- Innovation support organisations and agencies
- Cluster managers
- Innovation stakeholders (Academia and business)

Agenda

08:45 – 9:00	Online space open for the participants
9:00 – 9:05	Welcome - <i>Dr. Jurgita Siugzdiniene</i> (Lithuanian Minister of Education, Science and Sports)
9:05 – 9:20	Opening speech and presentation of ELISE project – <i>Prof. Žaneta Stasiškienė</i> (Kaunas University of Technology)
9:20 – 9:40	Innovation ecosystem from EU perspective – <i>Gabriel Rissola</i> (DG Joint Research Centre)
9:40 – 10:00	Regional Development as driver of Innovation – <i>Dr. Astrid Hintze</i> (Helmut Schmidt Universität, Germany)
10:00 – 10:10	Q&A
10:10 – 10:35	Interreg Europe: state of play of the interregional cooperation – <i>Alexia Bellemin</i> (Joint Secretariat of INTERREG Europe programme)
10:35 – 10:45	Coffee Break
10:45 – 11:55	<p>Panel discussion – 6 countries and 7 plans that answer questions such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to improve innovation policies in the Life Science Sector? • How to support innovative companies? • How can innovation actors benefit from international cooperation? <p>Moderator: <i>Martin Haranta</i> (Cassovia Life Sciences, Slovakia)</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Prof. Žaneta Stasiškienė</i> (Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania) • <i>Cecilia Maini</i> (ARTER, Italy) • <i>Nicolas Dubouloz</i> (Région Centre-Val de Loire, France) • <i>Sławomir Softys</i> (Lubelskie Voivodeship, Poland) • <i>Michael Lüdtkke</i> (BioCon, Germany) • <i>Hinrich Habeck</i> (Life Science Nord, Germany) • <i>Barbora Kováčová</i> (Košice self-governing region, Slovakia)
11:55 – 12:00	Closing speech (<i>Prof. Žaneta Stasiškienė</i>)