

Mutual Learning Exercise on R&I Foresight

Dissemination Event, 13 October 2023 in Brussels, Belgium

Location: Estonian Permanent Representation to the European Union, Rue Guimard 11/13, 1040 Bruxelles (Participants need to please arrive at 9 a.m. to allow for time for passport checks and registration which are necessary on location)

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Time	Description
9:00-9:30	Registration and Arrival, incl. welcome coffee and networking
09:30-09:50	Opening and Welcome
	Greetings by H.E. Mr. Artur Kink, ambassador, Estonian Embassy in Brussels Joanna Drake, Deputy DG of European Commission DG R&I
	Welcome Speech: Maarja Öpik, professor at the University of Tartu, member of the Research and Development Council, Estonia
	Presentation of the agenda, by Cornelia Daheim, chair and expert of the Mutual Learning Exercise (MLE)
9:50-10:20	Session 1, Keynote
	Stefano Palmieri, vice-president of the ECO Section at the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)
10:20-11:00	Session 2, Panel Discussion: Current Opportunities and Challenges for Foresight - Main Findings of the Mutual Learning Exercise
	Facilitated panel session presenting highlights from main insights within the MLE, and relating this to current challenges and opportunities in foresight
	Panel members: Country representatives: Tea Danilov (Head of Foresight Centre at the Estonian Parliament) Erik Øverland (Special Envoy for Education & Research, Royal Norwegian Embassy in Berlin) MLE experts: Philippe Destatte, Michal Pazour and Paulo Soeiro de Carvalho

	Discussion facilitated by Cornelia Daheim and Jennifer Harper (MLE chair and rapporteur)
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break and networking
11:30 - 12:15	Session 3, Deep Dives into Foresight Topics with Country Cases: Parallel Interactive Working Sessions
	Each group is co-chaired by a MLE Country Representative and a MLE Expert, and features a view to country experiences; realized in four parallel interactive working sessions
	 Group A: Institutionalizing Foresight, co-chaired by Jennifer Harper and Luisa Henriques (Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, FCT, Portugal) Group B: Citizen's Engagement in Foresight, co-chaired by Philippe Destatte and Julia Rosend (Ministry of Education and Research of Estonia) Group C: Disruptions and the Twin Transition and their Role in Foresight, chaired by Paulo Soeiro de Carvalho; supported by Cornelia Daheim Group D: Smart Specialization and Mission-Oriented Policy in Foresight, co-chaired by Michal Pazour and Christian Naczinsky (Austrian Ministry of Education, Science and Research)
12:15 - 12.45	Session 4, Future Perspectives for Foresight
	Main insights from the sessions and on future initiatives and perspectives, facilitated by Cornelia Daheim and Jennifer Harper
	With inputs by Peter Spyns (Vlaamse overheid – Departement Economie, Wetenschap & Innovatie, Belgium)
12:45 - 13:00	Wrap-up and Future Directions for Foresight in the ERA , by Cornelia Daheim and Nikos Kastrinos (European Commission DG R&I)
13:00	Official event end; (optional) networking light lunch