



 Federal Ministry
Republic of Austria
Digital and
Economic Affairs



The European Commission and the Federal Ministry for Digital and Economic affairs invite you to the event

The European Innovation Council (EIC) offers new funding opportunities for breakthrough technologies, disruptive and market creating innovations

The European Innovation Council (EIC) will offer €2bn for the financing of disruptive, market-creating innovation in its pilot phase between 2019 and 2020, in view of setting up a fully-fledged EIC under the next EU budget (2021 - 2027).

Wednesday, 5th June 2019

Venue – House of the European Union in Austria, Wipplingerstraße 35, 1010 Wien

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| 10:00 | Welcome, coffee and pastries |
| 10:30 | Opening address by Hatto Käfer ,
Representation of the European Commission in
Austria |
| 10.40 | Why we need a European Innovation Council (EIC),
and how can it best support European inventors and
innovators?
Presentation by Deputy Director General Wolfgang
Burtscher , DG Research and Innovation, followed by
panel discussion with speakers: |

Florian Frauscher

Director General for Business Location, Innovation and International Policy, Federal
Ministry for Digital and Economic Affairs

Hermann Hauser

EIC High Level Group, Serial Entrepreneur, Co-founder of Amadeus Capital Partners

Nils Berger

CEO Viewpointssystem GmbH, EIC Pilot Beneficiary

Henrietta Egerth

CEO, Austrian Research Promotion Agency FFG

Jana Kolar

Executive Director of CERIC-ERIC, Member of the ERA Council Forum Austria

Tomasz Kozlowski (tbc) or other representative of the EIF/EIB group

Head of Innovation and Alternative Financing Programmes, European Investment Fund

Bernhard Sagmeister

CEO Austria Wirtschaftsservice GmbH

11:45 How to receive support (grant/grant and
equity/coaching) from the EIC?

Cornelius Schmaltz

Head of Unit EIC Task Force, European Commission

How to receive support from the NCP and EEN
Network in Austria?

Christian Frey and Marcus Bidmon

National Contacts Points for SMEs and Access to Risk Finance,
Austrian Research Promotion Agency FFG

12:30 Questions and Answers
12:45 Networking Lunch
13:30 End of event

RSVP by 26 May 2019 to COMM-REP-VIE-VERANSTALTUNG@ec.europa.eu

*Please note: Lectures will be held in English and in German as well, no
translation will be provided*