

18 June 2019

Preliminary Programme Informal Meeting of the Ministers responsible for Competitiveness (Research) 4 to 5 July 2019

Meeting venue:

[Finlandia Hall](#), Mannerheimintie 13 E, 00100 Helsinki

Dinner venue:

[Restaurant Kulosaaren Casino](#), Hopeasalmen polku 1, 00570 Helsinki

Wednesday, 3 July

Arrival of the delegations expected during the afternoon and evening
Transport to hotels and accommodation

Thursday, 4 July

Possible arrival of the delegations with morning flights

Transport from hotels, airport or seaport to the meeting venue

8:30 Transport from the hotels

8:30 Doorstep and handshake

9:30 **Opening of the meeting**

Katri Kulmuni, Minister of Economic Affairs of Finland

Carlos Moedas, Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation

9:45 **Research and innovation as drivers for sustainable growth**

Keynote by Sylvia Schwaag Serger, Professor, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Lund University

Keynote by Kjell Forsén, CEO, Vaisala Oyj

Policy debate

12:15 **Family Photo**

12:30 **Ministerial Working Lunch: Translating European excellence in knowledge and innovation into entrepreneurial success**

Keynote by Pekka Laurila, CSO and co-founder, ICEYE

Head of Delegations only

12:30 Delegates lunch

14:15 **Missions as a strategic tool in Horizon Europe**

Keynote by Mariana Mazzucato, Professor in Economics of Innovation and Public Value, University College London, presenting the report "Governing missions"

Working session in break-out groups

Information regarding the break-out groups will follow shortly

16:00 **Closing of the meeting**

Press conference, part 1: Presidency, Commission

Press conference, part 2: Presidency, Commission, Prof. Mazzucato

Transport to the hotels

18:45 Transports from hotels to harbour

19:30 Boat cruise to restaurant Kulosaaren Casino

20:30 Joint Gala Dinner at restaurant Kulosaaren Casino

23:00 Bus transport to hotels

Friday, 5 July

Transport to airport or seaport