

# EIT Awareness Day in Latvia

Date: 28 March 2019

Venue: Riga Technical University, Faculty of Architecture, Kipsalas st. 6, 1048, Riga, Latvia

9h30-10h00	<p>I. <b>Registration and welcome coffee</b></p>
10h00-10h15	<p>II. <b>Welcome</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ilga Šuplinska, Minister, Ministry of Education and Science</li> <li>• Andris Kužnieks, Acting Head of the European Commission Representation in Latvia</li> <li>• Laima Kauspadiene, Member of the EIT Governing Board and CEO of Sunrise Valley Science and Technology Park</li> </ul> <p><i>Master of Ceremony: Aleksandrs Mārtiņš Blūms, RIS3 expert in the Department of Higher Education, Science and Innovation</i></p>
10h15-10h35	<p>III. <b>Introduction to the EIT, its achievements and activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Martin Kern, EIT Interim Director</li> </ul>
10h35-12h00	<p>IV. <b>Pitches: The EIT's Innovation Communities – ongoing activities and future ambitions in Latvia &amp; success stories</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>EIT Climate-KIC:</b> Julia Panny, Programme Officer, EIT Regional Innovation Scheme + Anna Ramata-Stunda, CEO of Alternative Plants</li> <li>• <b>EIT InnoEnergy:</b> Kamil Szydowski, CEE Regional Development + Robert Strods, CEO of Hygen</li> <li>• <b>EIT Digital:</b> Fabio Pianesi, Head of External Collaboration</li> <li>• <b>EIT Urban Mobility:</b> Bence Huba, RIS Manager</li> <li>• <b>EIT Health:</b> Ewa Guzek, InnoStars Innovation Project Manager + Vita Sture, Co-Founder of Semantic Intelligence</li> <li>• <b>EIT Food:</b> Marja-Liisa Meurice, Director CLC NE + Liene Briede, representative of EIT Food Hub Latvia</li> <li>• <b>EIT Raw Materials:</b> Mikko Korhonen, Business Development Manager + Solvita Kostjukova, CEO and Co-founder of ALINA</li> </ul>



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12h00-13h15	<b>V. Networking lunch</b>
13h15-14h20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Panel Discussion: Experiences and future perspectives– how the EIT Community can assist in enhancing innovation capacity in Latvia?</b></li><li>• Dmitrijs Stepanovs, Head of the Department of Higher Education, Science and Innovation, Ministry of Education and Science</li><li>• Solvita Kostjukova, CEO and Co-founder of ALINA</li><li>• Andris Ozols, Director of the Investment and Development Agency of Latvia</li><li>• Aiga Irmeja, Executive Director of IT Cluster</li><li>• Tālis Juhna, Vice-Rector for Research at Riga Technical University</li><li>• Elīna Branta, Head of Innovation Department, Ministry of Economics</li><li>• Robert Strods, CEO of Hygen</li></ul> <p><i>Moderator: Laima Kauspadiene, Member of the EIT Governing Board and CEO Sunrise Valley Science and Technology Park</i></p>
14h20-14h30	<b>VI. Wrap up and closing remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Līga Lejiņa, State Secretary, Ministry of Education and Science</li><li>• Martin Kern, EIT Interim Director</li></ul>
14h30-15h30	<b>VII. Networking Coffee: Meet the EIT Innovation Communities over a coffee</b>