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Programme

Moderator:
Eliška Zvolánková

9.30–10.00 **Registration and welcome coffee**

10.00–12.30 **MORNING SESSION**

Welcome address

Dana Bilíková,
Director General for Higher Education, Science and Research, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports
Michal Pazour,
Deputy Director, Technology Centre Prague

Policy level keynote: The changing European research funding landscape

Pavel Doleček,
Director General for European Funds, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports

Panel discussion: How research institutions and industry are rethinking funding strategies

Šárka Pospíšilová,
Vice-Rector for research and doctoral studies, Masaryk University in Brno
Wojciech Macyk,
Vice-Rector for research, Jagiellonian University in Kraków
Ondřej Santolík,
Member of the Academy Council, Czech Academy of Sciences
Jan Ludvík,
Senior Director Engineering, Honeywell Aerospace

Expert talk: Sustainability of research, development, and innovation funding after 2027

Michal Pazour,
Deputy Director, Technology Centre Prague

Panel discussion: Adapting national programmes – synergies and future directions in R&I funding

Lucie Núñez Tayupanta,
Director of the Department of Research and Development, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports
Pavel Juráš,
Deputy Director of the Structural Funds Department, Ministry of Industry and Trade
Martin Bunček,
Managing Director, Technology Agency of the Czech Republic
Rui Munhá,
Assistant Researcher, Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal
Omar Cutajar,
Senior Director, Xjenza Malta

12.30–14.00 Lunch break

14.00–15.30 **AFTERNOON SESSION:**

Participation of Czechia in the Widening schemes under Horizon Europe

Vladimír Vojtěch,
Analyst, Technology Centre Prague

From Widening to excellence: Lessons from successful projects

Tomáš Mocek,
Head of the HiLASE Centre
Bernd Abel,
ERA Chair, Heyrovský Institute of the CAS
Regina Demlová,
Director of CREATIC CoE, Head of Department of Pharmacology, Masaryk University in Brno
Jiří Navrátil,
Head of Knowledge Valorization Office, Palacký University Olomouc – CATRIN

15.30–16.00 Closing, networking & refreshments



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