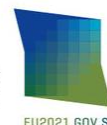




Slovenian Presidency
of the Council of the
European Union



IGLO OPEN Webinar

Priorities of the Slovenian Presidency in Science, Research & Innovation

7 May 2021 | 10:00 – 11:30

Online via WebEx

Starting on 1 July, Slovenia will preside over the Council of the European Union for the second time. Slovenia's presidency has established a greener EU as one of its key priority themes. Following the European Commission's 2021 Work Programme, it will engage in addressing climate change and support initiatives to reach environmental goals. The green transformation will be paired with further efforts to strengthen the bloc's resilience to different kinds of crises, which include pandemics, cyber-attacks, migration and economic crises, among others.

*This particular webinar will place **special emphasis on the priorities of science and technology and related disciplines**. Times of crises can offer a renewed resolve and the coming decade can offer new opportunities which can be used efficiently to achieve substantial **sustainable progress in strategic areas such as upgrading research infrastructure**, as well as other **activities supporting and enabling excellence in science and research**.*

*The event is a part of the Brussels-based **IGLO (Informal Group of RTD Liaison Offices)** activities organized throughout the year. The aim of the network and this event is to **facilitate and strengthen interactions, exchange of information and cooperation between IGLO members, European institutions, and relevant stakeholders**.*

Programme

10:00 Introductory words

- *Assoc. Prof. Dr. Draško Veselinovič, Organiser & Moderator, President of the Management Board, Slovenian Business & Research Association (SBRA), Brussels*
 - *Dr. Simon Marti, Chair of Informal Group of RTD Liaison Offices (IGLO) & Head of Office at Swisscore*
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10:05 Slovenian priorities in the field of science, research and innovation within the EU Presidency

- *Mr. Sergej Možina, Counsellor for Research, Permanent Representation of the Republic of Slovenia to the EU*

10:30 Outlook on Horizon Europe: From Slovenia's two largest scientific research institutes

- *Prof. Dr. Boštjan Zalar, Director, Jožef Stefan Institute (IJS)*
- *Prof. Dr. Gregor Anderluh, Director, National Institute of Chemistry (KI)*

11:00 Debate regarding Slovenia Presidency, including Q&A

11:25 Conclusions & closing remarks

- *Assoc. Prof. Dr. Draško Veselinovič, President of the Management Board, Slovenian Business & Research Association (SBRA), Brussels*

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