



Slovenian Presidency
of the Council of the
European Union



Priorities of the Slovenian Presidency in Education, Science, Research & Innovation

18 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. This particular webinar will place **special emphasis on the priorities of education, science, research and innovation**. Times of crises can offer a renewed resolve and the coming decade can offer new opportunities to **refocus priorities in educational objectives and keep education a top priority**. Concurrently, now is the time to push for substantial sustainable progress in strategic areas such as **upgrading research infrastructure**, as well as other activities **supporting and enabling excellence in science, research and innovation**.

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Programme

10:00 Introductory words

- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Draško Veselinovič, *Organiser & Moderator, President of the Management Board, Slovenian Business & Research Association (SBRA), Brussels*
- Dr. Alexandru Marchis Vasile, *Chair of Universities Informal Liaison Offices Network (UnLiON)*

10:10 Slovenian priorities in the field of education

- Mr. Luka Živič, *Counsellor for Education, Youth and Sport, Permanent Representation of the Republic of Slovenia to the EU*

10:35 Slovenian priorities in the field of science, research and innovation

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

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*