

EIT WATER INFO DAY

DATE: 5 March 2025

TIME: 8:30 – 13:30

VENUE: SPARKS, 60 rue Ravenstein, 1000 Brussels

AGENDA

Moderator: Angela Alimi – EIT Spokesperson and Head of Communications Section

08:30 – 09:00	Welcome Aboard: Registration and Provisioning
09:00 – 09:30	<p>EIT Water video and welcome by the Moderator</p> <p>Video address by Costas KADIS, European Commissioner for Fisheries and Oceans</p> <p>Diving In: Opening remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Antoaneta ANGELOVA-KRASTEVA, Director for Innovation, Digital Education and International cooperation, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture, European Commission • Pietro Francesco DE LOTTO, President of the Consultative Commission on Industrial Change and the EU Blue Deal initiative coordinator, European Economic and Social Committee • Martin KERN, Director of European Institute of Innovation and Technology
09:30 – 10:00	<p>Charting the Waters: Panel Discussion on Challenges and Opportunities</p> <p>Current policy context and expected contribution of the new KIC to addressing water, marine and maritime related challenges</p> <p>Moderator: Martin KERN, Director of European Institute of Innovation and Technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elisabetta BALZI, Head of Unit 'Ocean, Seas and Waters', Deputy Director 'Healthy Planet', Directorate General for Research and Innovation, European Commission • Magdalena-Andreea STRACHINESCU-OLTEANU, Head of Unit 'Maritime Innovation, Knowledge and Investment', Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission • Luca PEREZ, Deputy Head of Unit 'Sustainable Freshwater Management', Directorate-General for Environment, European Commission



10:00 – 11:00	<p>Catching the Wave: Becoming an EIT Knowledge and Innovation Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key elements of an EIT KIC and its expected impact - David TAS, Head of Unit 'Supervision and Monitoring', European Institute of Innovation and Technology • Overview of the Call conditions, evaluation and selection process - Laura HANIN, EIT Water Call Coordinator, European Institute of Innovation and Technology <p>Questions and Answers</p>
11:00 – 11:30	Refreshment Break
11:30 – 12:20	<p>Swimming Lessons with EIT Community: Panel discussion on how the EIT model works and what difference it makes</p> <p>Sharing of experience, tips and tricks by members of the EIT Community</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catherine SCHREIBER, EIT Alumni Board Chair and COO of Spirit X Solutions • Sergio BALASSONE, Head of Unipreneurship, EIT Digital • Magda KRAKOWIAK, Director EIT Health Accelerator • Teemu TERTTUNEN, Co-Founder and COO at Bout, Finland <p>Questions and Answers</p>
12:20 – 12:30	<p>Anchoring: Closing Remarks</p> <p>Kyriacos KOKKINOS, Member of the Governing Board, European Institute of Innovation and Technology</p>
12:30 – 13:30	Networking and Replenishment