



FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY WORKSHOP 2026

LOOKING AHEAD: EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIPS AND PATHWAYS TO SUSTAINABILITY
THURSDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2026
RUE DU CHAMP DE MARS 21, 1050 IXELLES, BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome Coffee</i>
09:00 – 09:30	Keynote speech “Looking ahead: European Partnerships and Pathways to Sustainability” <i>Luca Perego, Head of Unit Innovation and EIT (EAC.C.1) (tbc)</i>
09:30 – 10:30	Panel discussion: Public funding and market orientation? How to steer the Partnership towards impact and sustainability?
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 – 12:30	Rotating Breakout Sessions (each participant will discuss each topic): Potential pathways, challenges, solutions, open issues: 1. Membership fees & sources of the partnership 2. Private funding: Return of Investment, Donations etc. 3. Public funding: EC, Member States, Regional level etc.
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30 – 14:15	Rotating Breakout Sessions (each participant will discuss each topic): Potential pathways, challenges, solutions, open issues: 1. Membership fees & sources of the partnership 2. Private funding: Return of Investment, Donations etc. 3. Public funding: EC, Member States, Regional level etc.
14:15 – 15:00	Plenary: Reporting back from the breakout sessions & Discussion
15:00 – 15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:30 – 16:00	European Partnerships and KICs – examples of cooperation & Discussion (2 examples of cooperation will be presented)
16:00 – 16:15	Outlook: From Plan to Action
16:15 – 16:30	Wrap up & farewell