



**SUMMARY FROM THE  
2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the EIT Member State Representatives Group (MSRG)**

14 October 2025, 10h00 – 15h15 CET, EIT House, Brussels

The agenda of the meeting (Annex 1) and the list of participating countries (Annex 2) are enclosed.

The meeting was co-chaired by Martin Kern, EIT Director and Co-Chairperson of the MSRG and Peter Spyns, MSRG Representative of Belgium and Co-Chairperson of the MSRG. Representatives from the European Commission (DG EAC) and the EIT also attended the meeting.

On request by the MSRG, where neither the Representative nor the Substitute was available to attend this in-person meeting due to other commitments, the Co-Chairpersons allowed, exceptionally for this meeting, the participation of Attachés from Permanent Representations in Brussels. This was the case for Hungary and Italy.

The following subjects were presented and discussed:

- Follow-up actions since the last meeting on 10 April 2025, adoption of the meeting agenda;
- Outcome of the Conflict-of-Interest verification exercise;
- European Commission update on main priorities and developments, including the process for the EC proposal on FP10;
- EIT updates on recent developments including the timeline of the designation process of EIT Water, the grant allocation for 2026-2028, the EIT KICs Financial Sustainability, the EIT Deep Tech Talent Initiative, the EIT Higher Education Initiative, as well as the tentative timeline for the upcoming MSRG opinion on the extension/termination of the partnerships with EIT Manufacturing and EIT Urban Mobility post 7 years;
- Discussion with InnoEnergy about their activities;
- Presentation about the state of play of the Regional Innovation Booster pre-pilot;
- Presentation of practical examples of the work of the EIT community officers and recognition of their important roles in fostering collaboration;
- MSRG members received information on the planned date for the next MSRG meetings.



## Annex 1 – Meeting Agenda

TIME	AGENDA ITEMS
9:30 – 10:00	<i>Registration and welcome coffee</i>
<b>1. OPENING BY THE CHAIRPERSONS OF THE MSRG</b>	
10:00 – 10:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1 Scene setter</li> <li>1.2 Adoption of the meeting agenda</li> <li>1.3 Conflict of interest verification</li> <li>1.4 Verification of quorum</li> <li>1.5 Follow-up actions from the previous meeting</li> </ul>
<b>2. UPDATES BY THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION</b>	
10:15 – 11:00	<p><b>Scope:</b> Key updates from the European Commission concerning the main priorities and developments.</p> <p><i>Questions and Answers (15 mins)</i></p>
<b>3. UPDATES ON STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
11:00– 12:30	<p><b>Scope:</b> Key updates on the implementation of the EIT work programme and latest developments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EIT Water call – update on the status</li> <li>- Status update on EIT KICs including grant allocation 2026-2028</li> <li>- Financial sustainability of EIT KICs</li> <li>- EIT HEI and EIT DTTI</li> </ul> <p><i>Questions and Answers (20')</i></p>
<b>4. EIT'S ON-THE-GROUND PRESENCE (PART 1) – EIT ACTIVITIES</b>	



12:30– 13:00	<p>Discussion with InnoEnergy on their activities – Oana Penu, Director, InnoEnergy Skills Institute (15')</p> <p><i>Questions and Answers (15')</i></p>
13:00 – 14:00	<p><i>Networking lunch</i></p>
<p><b>5. EIT'S ON-THE-GROUND PRESENCE (PART 2) – REGIONAL INNOVATION BOOSTER &amp; EIT COMMUNITY OFFICERS</b></p>	
14:00 – 14:30	<p>Presentation of the Regional Innovation Booster Pilot - Joanna Szmigiel, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland (15')</p> <p><i>Questions and Answers (15')</i></p>
14:30 – 15:00	<p>Presentations of EIT Community Officers – Branka Žižić, Montenegro and Laura Ovies Diaz, Spain (2x15')</p> <p><i>Questions and Answers (15')</i></p>
<p><b>6. WRAP UP &amp; CLOSURE</b></p>	
15:00 – 15:15	<p>AOB</p> <p>Wrap-up and closure by the MSRG Chairpersons</p>



**Annex 2: List of participating organisations**

Country	Participating organisations
AUSTRIA	Austrian Ministry of Education, Science and Research
BELGIUM	Flemish Department of Work, Economy, Science, Innovation & Social Economy
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	Ministry of Civil Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina
DENMARK	Agency for Higher Education and Science
ESTONIA	Ministry of Education and Research
FRANCE	Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation
GERMANY	Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)
GREECE	PRAXI Network
HUNGARY	Permanent Representation of Hungary to the European Union
ICELAND	IceTec
IRELAND	Department of Further and Higher Education, Research Innovation and Science
ITALY	Permanent Representation of Italy to the European Union
LITHUANIA	Research Council of Lithuania
MALTA	Malta Council for Science and Technology
NORWAY	Ministry of Education and Research
POLAND	National Centre for Research and Development
PORTUGAL	ANI - Agência Nacional de Inovação



SLOVAKIA	VAIA Research and Innovation Authority
SPAIN	CDTI, EPE
SWEDEN	Vinnova
TÜRKIYE	TÜBİTAK
UNITED KINGDOM	Department for Science, Innovation and Technology

Co-signed by

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