



THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY. WHAT'S IN IT FOR COMPANIES?

Can the European Institute of Technology (EIT) contribute to bridging the innovation gap between the EU and its major competitors by promoting further the integration of the three sides of the knowledge triangle: research, innovation and education?

How will it have to be shaped to fulfil this difficult mission?

BUSINESSEUROPE is organizing a **workshop** addressing these questions in:
the **European Parliament**, room A5-E2
on the **6th March**
from **9:00** to **12:00**

Speakers in this workshop include:

- **Andrew Dearing**, Secretary General of EIRMA;
 - **Erna Hennicot-Schoepges** MEP, rapporteur on the EIT in the Culture and Education committee (tbc);
 - **Leif Kjargaard**, Chair of BUSINESSSEUROPE's Research & Technological Innovation working group;
 - **Wilfried Kraus**, Chair of European Council working group on EIT;
 - **Odile Quintin**, Director General, DG Education and Culture;
 - **Reino Paasilinna** MEP, rapporteur on the EIT in the Industry, Research and Energy committee.
- and
- **Paul Rübzig**, MEP.

The intention of this event is to provide **input into the European Parliament's debate** on this issue with a view to focusing some of the thinking on the industry elements to the EIT.

The workshop is taking an open discussion format and will be used both to highlight BUSINESSSEUROPE's views on the EIT but also as an open forum to discuss the issue.

Two question and answer sessions are scheduled in between and after the statements of the panellists to allow for the active participation of audience members in the discussions.

This is an open event and any stakeholder with an interest in this issue is welcome and invited to attend.

For registration please reply to v.mcgovern@businesseurope.eu by Monday March 5th at the latest.

! If you need an entrance badge to the European Parliament please send your date and place of birth, address and passport number !