

Investor Workshop on Financing European Innovation

14 April 2026, Brussels, Berlaymont Building (room Walter Hallstein) and online

TIME	DESCRIPTION
13:30-14:00	Registration and welcome coffee
14:00-14:10	Welcome and introduction to the meeting Jean-David Malo, Acting Director, Directorate A, DG RTD, European Commission Andreas Schwarz, Head of Cabinet of Commissioner Zaharieva, European Commission
14:10-14:35	European VC Market: Performance, Trends and Outlook Uli Grabenwarter, Director, Equity Investments, European Investment Fund (TBC) <i>(10 min presentation, followed by 15 min reactions)</i>
14:35-15:00	Savings and Investments Union: Favourable Regulatory Developments Alexandra Jour-Schroeder, Deputy Director-General, DG FISMA, European Commission <i>(10 min presentation, followed by 15 min reactions)</i>
15:00-15:15	Coffee Break
15:15-15:50	Scaleup Europe Fund Andreas Schwarz, Head of Cabinet of Commissioner Zaharieva, European Commission <i>(10 min presentation, followed by 20 min reactions)</i>
15:50-16:20	European Tech Champions Initiative 2.0 Vincent van Steensel, Director, Mandate Origination & Relationship Management, European Investment Fund (TBC) <i>(10 min presentation, followed by 20 min reactions)</i>
16:20-16:55	Open Discussion on the European Institutional Investors Pact for Innovation Andreas Schwarz, Head of Cabinet of Commissioner Zaharieva, European Commission <i>(5 min presentation, followed by 35 min reactions)</i>
16.55-17.00	Closing Remarks Jean-David Malo, Acting Director, Directorate A, DG RTD, European Commission
17.00	End of the meeting, followed by buffet