## European Innovation Scoreboard 2018



## European Innovation Scoreboard 2018 Brussels, 25 June 2018, 14h30

Breydel auditorium – 45 Avenue d'Auderghem, 1040 Brussels

The annual European Innovation Scoreboard provides a comparative assessment of research and innovation performance of the EU and European countries. It allows policy-makers to assess relative strengths and weaknesses of national research and innovation systems, track progress, and identify priority areas to boost innovation performance.

This year's Scoreboard reveals that the EU's innovation performance continues to increase and that progress has accelerated in recent years. Since 2010, the innovation performance of the EU has increased by 5.8 percentage points, but progress is uneven. Performance has increased in 18 EU countries and decreased in 10. In a global perspective, the EU continues to improve its position vis-à-vis the United States, Japan, and Canada, but China is catching up at three times the EU's innovation performance growth rate.

## **AGENDA**

14h30	Registration and coffee
15h00	Welcome and key findings of the Scoreboard  Antti Peltomäki, Deputy Director-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, DG GROW, European Commission.  Wolfgang Burtscher, Deputy Director-General for Research and Innovation, DG RTD, European Commission.
15h15	Panel 1: "Evidence-based policy-making for innovation: What next?"  Chair: Slawomir Tokarski, Director 'Innovation and Advanced Manufacturing', DG GROW, European Commission.  With: Margareta Drzeniek, Deputy Head of Social and Economic Agendas, Executive Committee Member, World Economic Forum.  Soumitra Dutta, Former Dean and Professor, Cornell University and Founding Editor, Global Innovation Index.  Debora Revoltella, Director of the Economics Department, European Investment Bank.  Mateusz Szczurek, Associate Director, Lead Regional Economist, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.
16h00	Panel 2: "How can Europe strengthen its innovation potential?"  Chair: Kurt Vandenberghe, Director 'Policy Development and Coordination', DG RTD, European Commission.  With: Thomas Bjerre, Head of Communications, Innovation Fund Denmark (Denmark).  Nadine Castillo, Special Adviser on National Science Policy, Council for Science and Technology (Malta).  Clara Eugenia García, Director-General for R&I, Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities (Spain).  Johan Hanssens, Secretary-General, Flemish Ministry of Economy and Research and Innovation (Belgium).  Agrita Kiopa, Deputy State Secretary-Director of Higher Education Department, Ministry of Education and Science (Latvia).
16h45	Conclusions  Antti Peltomäki, Deputy Director-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, DG GROW, European Commission.  Wolfgang Burtscher, Deputy Director-General for Research and Innovation, DG RTD, European Commission.
17h00	End of the event and networking coffee

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