

EUROPEAN COMPETITIVENESS FUND
Increasing Investment in Advanced Manufacturing - Europe's Industrial Backbone

Wednesday 28 January 2026

18h00 Cocktail - 18h30 Dinner Dialogue

European Parliament Salon - Spinelli Building

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PROGRAMME

17h30	Register for security EP passes at "Accreditation Centre", Agora Simone Veil, on esplanade Solidarnosc, European Parliament ASP Building, Place du Luxembourg side
18h00	Cocktail Reception
18h30	INTRODUCTION BY THE PARLIAMENTARY HOST <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sara MATTHIEU MEP, Greens - Belgium, Industry, Research and Energy Committee
18h35	THE EUROPEAN COMPETITIVENESS FUND - DRIVING INNOVATION AND DEPLOYMENT FOR EUROPEAN INDUSTRIES <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alexandre Hobza, EUROPEAN COMMISSION, Cabinet Member, Executive Vice President Stéphane Séjourné, Chief Economist, Responsible for Investments and Innovation,
18h50	Q&A with the Commission
19h00	MEP VIEWS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pilar DEL CASTILLO MEP (EPP, Spain) Industry, Research and Energy Committee
19h05	PRIORITIES FOR EUROPEAN MANUFACTURERS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Javier Ormazabal Echevarria, VELATIA, President & ORGALIM, President• François Duval, UNITED MACHINING, Managing Director & CECIMO President
19h15	VIEWS OF MANUFACTURERS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matthieu Worm, SIEMENS, Distinguished Key Expert, Simulation & Digital Twin & President of the Virtual Worlds Association• Jean Pascal Riss, SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC, Vice President Strategic Partnerships, Sustainability and Industrial Relations• Barbara Colombo, FICEP S.p.A, Chief Executive Officer
19h30	VIEWS OF MEPS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thomas PELLERIN-CARLIN (S&D, France) Industry, Research and Energy Committee & Intergroup Member on Attracting Investment to Ensure a Competitive and Sustainable European Union• Benedetta SCUDERI MEP (GREENS, Italy) Industry, Research and Energy Committee
19h45	Dinner & Networking

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20h30	PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FINANCING - INCREASING INVESTMENT IN ADVANCED MANUFACTURING
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Carsten Schierenbeck, EUROPEAN COMMISSION, DG Research and Innovation, Head of Unit, Industrial Transformation
20h45	DISCUSSION
20h55	VIEWS OF MEPS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Christophe CLERGEAU MEP (Vice President S&D Group, France) Environment Committee & Industry, Research and Energy Committee• Kris VAN DIJCK MEP (ECR, Belgium) Industry, Research and Energy Committee
21h15	DISCUSSION & INFORMAL RESPONSES BY THE COMMISSION
21h25	CLOSING REMARKS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Antony Fell, EUROPEAN FORUM FOR MANUFACTURING, Secretary General