

SwissCore

Seminar for the Partners of the Swiss
RTD-Information Network

**Upcoming Challenges in RTD
for Switzerland and Europe**

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Agenda

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- 09:30-10:00 Welcome
- 10:00-10:30 **Introduction: upcoming challenges in RTD for Switzerland and Europe**
Gianpietro van de Goor / Balz Abplanalp
- 10:30-11:00 **Switzerland's association to FP5**
Barbara Rhode, DG Research
- 11:00-11:30 **High-level scientific EU conferences in Switzerland**
Helmut Morsi, DG Research
- 11:30-12:00 **European research infrastructures and Switzerland**
Christopher Lowry, DG Research
- 12:00-12:30 **Marie Curie Fellowships – promising opportunities for Swiss research**
Georges Bingen, DG Research
- 12:30-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00-15:30 **Consortium agreements, the community patent & the IPR helpdesk**
Heike Huisken, IPR Helpdesk
- 15:30-16:00 Coffee
- 16:00-17:00 **Informal vs. formal consultation processes of the Commission**
Christian Patermann, DG Research
- 17:00-18:00 **From third- to associated country status**
Round table discussion with experts
- 18:00 Drink

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- 09:00-09:45 **How to lobby in Brussels - academic interests**
Alison Douglas, UKRO
- 09:45-10:30 **How to lobby in Brussels - industrial interests**
Guy Martens, UNICE
- 10:30-11:00 Coffee
- 11:00-12:00 **ERA: on the jump to coordinating European research policies**
Clara de la Torre, DG Research
- 12:00-13:30 Lunch
- 13:30-14:30 **FP6: a novel FP for ERA ?**
Birgit de Boissezon, DG Research
- 14:30-15:30 **How can Switzerland interact informally with Brussels ?**
Discussion Forum
- 15:30-15:45 Conclusions

Location

- ⇒ The Seminar will take place at rue du Trône 98, 8th floor
⇒ The Drink will be at SwissCore's premises, 1st floor