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Prof. Dr. Danthine, Belgian, is professor of economics and finance at the University of Lausanne, Switzerland, and Managing Director of the Swiss Finance Institute. He was Director of the International Center for Financial Asset Management and Engineering (FAME) until its merger into the Swiss Finance Institute. He received his Ph.D. from Carnegie Mellon University, USA. He was previously director of the Institute for Banking and Financial Management at the University of Lausanne. Professor Danthine's publications in macroeconomics and finance have appeared in *Econometrica*, the *Journal of Finance*, the *European Economic Review*, and many other journals. His current research focuses on the business cycle and asset pricing implications of real market frictions and on the foundations of fundamental financial analysis.



MATTEO BONIFACIO – European Commission

Matteo Bonifacio, Italian, is Policy Developer at the European Commission in the Directorate General Education and Culture, operating in the unit dealing with school, education and higher education. He is member of the team in charge for the development of the proposal to establish the European Institute of Technology. Recently, he has designed and implemented the call for proposals "Pilot projects for cooperation between European Institutes of Technology". He is also researcher in Organization Sciences at the University of Trento, Italy, where he teaches Knowledge Management and Learning Organizations. Previously, he has been program manager in ICT projects for the Institute for Scientific and Technological Research in Italy and Senior Consultant in Andersen where he managed projects on organizational design, knowledge management and knowledge technologies.

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kindly invite you to a

Swiss Science Briefing

on

**Integrating the knowledge triangle:
The Swiss Finance Institute – a model for the
European Institute of Technology?**

with

Jean-Pierre Danthine

Managing Director, Swiss Finance Institute

and

Matteo Bonifacio

Policy developer, European Commission, DG Education & Culture

Tuesday, 9 October 2007, 12:00 – 14:00

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The Swiss Finance Institute is a private foundation created in 2005 by the Swiss banking sector and leading Swiss universities. The Swiss Finance institute aims at advancing research activities in finance as well as supporting PhD and executive education in the banking and finance industry. The Institute also creates interfaces between research and industry through common activities.

The Swiss Finance Institute thus not only presents a novel approach in the area of finance, but it also combines the aspects of research, education and innovation. Structured to integrate the three pillars of the knowledge triangle, the Swiss Finance Institute has the same endeavour as the planned European Institute of Technology (EIT).

The core question of the Swiss Science Briefing 2007 will therefore be if, and to what extent, the Swiss Finance Institute could serve as a model for the European Union in shaping the EIT.

To this purpose, the presentation of the Swiss Finance Institute by its Managing Director, Prof. Jean-Pierre Danthine, will be followed by a reply from Matteo Bonifacio, who has been closely involved in the preparation and the follow-up of the European Commission's EIT proposal as a policy developer at DG Education & Culture. The panel discussion will allow the public to deepen specific aspects presented by both speakers.

Programme

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| 12:00 | Sandwich lunch |
| 12:30 | Welcome and introduction
Balz Abplanalp
Scientific Counsellor, Mission of Switzerland to the EU |
| 12:40 | The Swiss Finance Institute: integrating the knowledge triangle
Jean-Pierre Danthine
Managing Director, Swiss Finance Institute |
| 13:10 | Comment from an EU-Perspective
Matteo Bonifacio
Policy developer, European Commission, DG Education & Culture |
| 13:30 | Panel discussion
moderated by Maryline Maillard
Head of Office, SwissCore |
| | Coffee |
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