

# INFORMATION EVENT ON HYDROGEN WITH AND FOR VISEGRAD FOUR COUNTRIES

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**REGISTRATION**



Hydrogen is envisaged to play an important role in the energy transition and will help European economies to reach the ambitious CO<sub>2</sub> reduction targets in the coming years. Hydrogen research and innovation has also become a priority in the Visegrad 4 countries – hydrogen strategies are being developed, hydrogen associations are being established.

The objective of the information event is twofold:

- European hydrogen related initiatives, programmes and partnerships will be presented to interested stakeholders from the V4 countries, representing policy, research as well as industry.
- The V4 countries will also shortly present the latest developments in their countries to the main European actors.

This two-way communication will allow the participants to mutually inform each other about national and European programmes, to have a clearer picture about the broad landscape on hydrogen research and innovation, to define synergies and possible fields for future cooperation.

The event will serve as a stepping stone for future communication and cooperation among participants from Czechia, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia. Participants from other countries are also welcome to join.

# AGENDA

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| <b>14:00 - 14:05</b> | Welcome by the organisers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>14:05 - 14:20</b> | Presentation by the Clean Hydrogen Partnership (including Hydrogen Europe and Hydrogen Europe Research) - <b>Bart Biebuyck</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>14:20 - 15:20</b> | <p>Short presentations of European programmes, initiatives around Hydrogen from the perspective of science and innovation followed by a moderated panel discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• European Clean Hydrogen Alliance and IPCEI on hydrogen: <b>Jyri Ilkanen</b>, DG GROW, EC (tbc)</li> <li>• Green hydrogen ERA pilot action: <b>Sandra Lehneke</b>, Head of Directorate "European Cooperation in Education and Research" in the Federal Ministry of Education and Research of Germany</li> <li>• Mission Innovation Hydrogen Valley Platform (tbc.)</li> <li>• Breakthrough Energy Catalyst Fund: <b>Julia Reinaud</b>, Senior Director</li> </ul> |
| <b>15:20 - 15:35</b> | Q&A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>15:35 - 15:45</b> | Coffee break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>15:45 - 16:45</b> | <p>Presentations of V4 countries – hydrogen strategies, action plans and funding possibilities on the national level – followed by a moderated panel discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CZ: <b>Petr Mervart</b>, Ministry of Industry and Trade</li> <li>• HU: <b>István Lepsényi</b>, President of the Hungarian Hydrogen Alliance</li> <li>• PL: <b>Paweł Piotrowicz</b>, President of the Hydrogen Poland</li> <li>• SK: <b>Ján Weiterschütz</b>, Chairman of the Slovak National Hydrogen Association</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>16:45 - 17:00</b> | Q&A and final conclusions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

The event will be moderated by **Martin Prokop**, University of Chemistry and Technology, Prague.