

## PUBLIC HEARING

### Horizon Europe 2028-2034: Expert views and consideration

#### Thursday, 26 February 2026

#### 09.30 - 11.30

#### Room: ANTALL 2Q2

#### Brussels

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|  | <b>Welcome and opening remarks by Borys BUDKA, ITRE Chair</b>  |
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|  | <b>Presentations by the experts:</b>   |
|  | <b>Professor Maria LEPTIN</b> - President of the European Research Council   |
|  | <b>Dr Mirjam STORIM</b> - Head of Strategy & Technology Relations, Foundational Technologies, Siemens                                |
|  | <b>Dr Maira INDRIKOVA</b> - Vice-Rector for Research, Riga Technical University  |
|  | <b>Professor Manuel HEITOR</b> - former Chair and lead author of Commission Expert Group on the Interim Evaluation of Horizon Europe |
|  | <b>Questions and answers with Members</b>  |
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|  | <b>Conclusions and closing remarks by Borys BUDKA, ITRE Chair</b>  |