

**EUROPEAN INNOVATION COUNCIL (EIC) INFO DAY**  
**EUROPE HOUSE, AUGUSTA CESARCA 4-6 ZAGREB**  
**20 JUNE 2024**  
**09:30-16:15 HRS**

**09:30 – 10:00 Registration & networking coffee**

**10:00 – 10:30 Opening speeches - presenting role of institutions**

- Hana Huzjak, Economic Counsellor, European Commission Representation in Croatia
- Sladjana Ćosić, Head of the EIB Group Office in Croatia
- Ante-Janko Bobetko, Croatian Agency for SMEs, Innovation and Investment HAMAG-BICRO
- Želimir Kramarić, Croatian Agency for SMEs, Innovation and Investment HAMAG-BICRO

**10:30-10:45 Inspiration talk: How can Croatian innovators and entrepreneurs improve their chances of success in EU programmes?**

- Ana Barjašić, EIC Board member

**10:45 – 11:15 The European Innovation Council and the EIC Fund: Support for Deep-tech Researchers and Innovators**

- Eric-Olivier Pallu, Policy Adviser, EISMEA

**11:15 – 11:30 Coffee break**

**11:30 – 12:30 EIC Accelerator application & evaluation process. Company assessment for the purpose of the EICF equity investment**

- Eric-Olivier Pallu, Policy Adviser, EISMEA
- Katarzyna Dobisz, Investment Officer, European Investment Bank (EIB)

**12:30 – 13:00 Q&A**

**13:00 – 13:45 Networking lunch**

**13:45 – 14:15 Panel discussion: how to prepare an excellent application to EIC Accelerator - success stories / case studies**

- Katarzyna Dobisz, Investment Officer, European Investment Bank (EIB)
- Matija Žulj, Founder and CEO of AGRIVI, and EIC Ambassador
- Tajana Barančić, EIC jury member
- Mihovil Barančić, EIC jury member

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| <b>14:15 – 14:30</b> | <b>Q&amp;A</b>   |
| <b>14:30 – 15:15</b> | <b>Support mechanisms for Deep Tech innovation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Zorana Barišić, Support Measures for EIC Accelerator Applications, Ministry of Science, Education and Youth</li><li>• Anna Gorzkowska, Advisory Hub, European Investment Bank (EIB)</li><li>• Mate Kovač, Financial and Non-Financial Incentives for Innovation Development, Croatian Agency for SMEs, Innovation, and Investment HAMAG-BICRO</li></ul> |
| <b>15:15 – 15:30</b> | <b>Closing remarks</b>   |
| <b>15:30 – 16:15</b> | <b>Networking</b>  |