 

**MEDIA PROGRAMME**

**Informal meeting of ministers responsible for Competitiveness (Research)**

**Tueseday, 4 February 2020**

**Zagreb, Croatia**

**Tuesday, 4 February**

7:00 Press centre opens

8:00 - 8:45 Arrival of ministers from hotels to the National and University Library

(Doorstep)

9:15 – 9:45 **Opening of the meeting**

* + - * Welcome address by Prof. Blaženka Divjak, Ph. D., Minister of Science and Education (~10 min)
      * Introduction by Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth (~20 min)

9:45 – 10:00 **Keynote by Mr Philippe Busquin**

* Launch of the Future of ERA discussion by ex-Commissioner who launched ERA 20 years ago.

10:00 – 10:15 **Keynote by Mr Mate Rimac**

* Focus more specifically on brain circulation by one of the most influential innovators and entrepreneurs from Croatia on conditions to keep, attract, gain and retain talents.

10:15 – 12:05 **Round table discussion**

New European Research Area and Brain circulation

* Conclusion by Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth (~ 5 min)
* Conclusion by Prof. Blaženka Divjak, Ph. D., Minister of Science and Education (~5 min)

12:05 – 12:20 **Family Photo**

12:30 – 14:30 Press conference (live broadcast)

Prof. Blaženka Divjak, Ph. D., Minister of Science and Education

Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth

**Lunch**

14:30 – 15:15 **Closing of the meeting** (transport to the airport/hotel)