



Helsinki, Finnvera, Eteläesplanadi 8
Tuesday, 28th April 2009

Working languages will be Finnish and English – no interpretation will be provided

- 8:30 - 9.00** **Registration**
- 9:00 - 9:15 **Opening speech**
ÿ Mr. Eikka Kosonen, *Head of the European Commission Representation in Finland*
ÿ Mr. Pauli Heikkilä, *Managing Director, Finnvera*
- 9:15 - 9:45 **European Union SME policies**
ÿ Mr. Vesa Vanhanen, *Deputy Head of Unit, Financing Innovation and SMEs, DG Enterprise and Industry, European Commission*
ÿ *Questions and answers*
- 9:45 - 10:30 **Competitiveness and Innovation Programme – financial instruments**
ÿ Mr. Marc Schublin, *Director of Mandate Management, Product Development and Incubation, European Investment Fund*
ÿ *Questions and answers*
- 10:30 - 11:00** **Coffee break (and Commission video clip)**
- 11:00 - 11:30 **Experience of EU financial instruments in Finland**
ÿ Mr. Martin Ingman, *Manager, International Relations, Finnvera*
ÿ Mr. Sami Lampinen, *Managing Director, Inventure Oy*
ÿ *Questions and answers*
- 11:30 - 12:00 **Venture capital and Business Angels**
ÿ Mr. Jukka Mäkinen, *Senior Partner, Eqvitec*
ÿ Mr. Ari-Pekka Laitsaari, *Portfolio Manager, AVERA, Finnvera seed fund*
- 12:00 - 13:15** **Networking lunch offered**
- 13:15 - 13:30 **Role of the Enterprise Europe Network in Finland**
ÿ Ms. Hanna Heikkinen, *Ministry of employment and economy (consortium leader FINCIP- Enterprise Europe Network)*
- 13:30 - 14:45 **Panel discussion - challenges ahead:**
ÿ Mr. Vesa Vanhanen, *Deputy Head of Unit, Financing Innovation and SMEs, DG Enterprise and Industry, European Commission (moderator)*
ÿ Mr. Jukka Suokas, *Vice President, Domestic Financing, Finnvera*
ÿ Mr. Arto Elomaa, *Economist, Federation of Finnish Financial Services*
ÿ Mr. Risto Suominen, *Director, Federation of Finnish Enterprises*
ÿ Mr. Sami Lampinen, *Managing Director, Inventure Oy*
ÿ Mr. Jukka Mäkinen, *Senior Partner, Eqvitec*
- 14:45 - 15:00 **Closing address**
ÿ Mr. Vesa Vanhanen, *Deputy Head of Unit, Financing Innovation and SMEs, DG Enterprise and Industry, European Commission*