

1st Conference on Science Diplomacy in Central, Eastern and South-Eastern Europe

An open debate on Science Diplomacy governance and capacity building

Trieste, 20-21 November 2024

Draft programme

DAY 1 – 20 November 2024	
Venue: Executive Secretariat of the Central European Initiative, Via Genova 9, 34121 – Trieste (Italy)	
14:30 – 15:00	Registration
15:00 – 15:30	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central European Initiative (CEI) • Vice-Rector Prof. Viktoria Weber, University for Continuing Education Krems (UWK) • Dr Ketty Segatti, Autonomous Region Friuli Venezia Giulia (FVG) • Representative of Lower Austria, <i>tbc</i>
15:30 – 15:45	Introductory remarks <i>Rationale and objectives of the Conference</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Alessandro Lombardo, CEI & Dr Christina Hainzl, UWK
15:45 – 16:15	Get-to-know session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tour de table with brief presentations by participants
16:15 – 17:00	Interactive Workshop A <i>Knowledge and skills for building strong capacities in Science Diplomacy</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentored by Mag. Elke Dall, Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI)
17:00 – 17:45	Interactive Workshop B <i>Governance and institutionalisation of Science Diplomacy in the target area</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentored by Prof. Simone Arnaldi, University of Trieste (UNITS)
17:45 – 18:00	Conclusions of Day 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEI, UWK
18:30 -	Networking cocktail Venue: Caffè Tommaseo, Piazza Nicolò Tommaseo 4

DAY 2 – 21 November 2024	
Venue: Executive Secretariat of the Central European Initiative, Via Genova 9, 34121 – Trieste (Italy)	
10:00 – 10:30	Registration
10:30 – 10:45	Opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Jan Marco Müller, European Commission (<i>video recording</i>)
10:45 – 11:15	Keynote <i>Scanning Science Diplomacy – On Some Peculiarities, Paradoxes and Pending Questions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Pierre-Bruno Ruffini, University of Le Havre, Association pour la Valorisation des Relations Internationales Scientifiques et Techniques (AVRIST), Chair of the EU Science Diplomacy Alliance (EUSDA)
11:15 -12:00	Panel A <i>Knowledge and skills for building strong capacities in Science Diplomacy</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mag. Elke Dall, Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI), presentation of the outcomes of Interactive Workshop A Ms Payal Patel, The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS) Dr Katharina Höne, DLR Projektträger, German Aerospace Centre
12:00 – 12:30	Networking break
12:30 – 13:15	Panel B <i>Governance and institutionalisation of Science Diplomacy in the target area</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Simone Arnaldi, University of Trieste (UNITS), presentation of the outcomes of Interactive Workshop B Mag. Sebastian Schäffer, Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM) Prof. Pierre-Bruno Ruffini, University of Le Havre, Association pour la Valorisation des Relations Internationales Scientifiques et Techniques (AVRIST), Chair of the EU Science Diplomacy Alliance (EUSDA)
13:15 – 14:30	Buffet lunch
14:30 – 15:00	Keynote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amb. Vito Cecere, German Federal Foreign Office
15:00 – 16:30	Panel C <i>Multi-stakeholder partnerships for effective Science Diplomacy</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Couns. Alessandro Garbellini, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Italy (MAECI) Mag. Martina Hartl, Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research, Austria Dr Francesca Tolve, Italian National Research Council (CNR) Mr Samuel Partey, UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe Dr Mounir Ghribi, National Institute of Oceanography and Applied Geophysics (OGS), Italy, Euro Mediterranean University (EMUNI) Prof. Emanuela Colombo, Politecnico di Milano (POLIMI), <i>tbc</i>
16:30 – 17:00	Final Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secretary General Roberto Antonione, CEI
17:00 -	Farewell drink