Informal Meeting of EU Ministers of Competitiveness (Research)

Milano, July 21–22, 2014

“Research Infrastructures: a European Challenge”

Monday, July 21

18:00 Transfer of the Heads of Delegations from the hotels to the “Cenacolo Vinciano”

18:30 Guided visit, for the Heads of Delegations, to the “Cenacolo Vinciano” and viewing of Leonardo da Vinci’s “Last supper”

19:00 Transfer to Palazzo Serbelloni

20:00 Official dinner

For the Delegates a guided tour of the Castello Sforzesco will be organized in parallel to the Head of Delegations program. Transfer will be provided by bus

Tuesday, July 22

09:00 Transfer to MiCo Conference Center

09:30 Welcome address by Stefania Giannini, Minister of Education, Universities, and Research

09:45 Address by Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, European Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science

10:00 Strategic planning of the European RIs system
Introduction by John Wood, Secretary General of the Association of Commonwealth Universities, followed by round table discussion

11:45 Evaluation and best use of resources
Introduction by Catherine Cesarsky, High level Science Advisor at CEA, followed by round table discussion

13:30 Family photo

13:45 Lunch

15:00 RIs long-term sustainability
Introduction by Sergio Bertolucci, Director for Research and Computing at CERN, followed by round table discussion

16:45 Conclusive remarks by Stefania Giannini, Minister of Education, Universities, and Research

17:00 End of the Informal Meeting

17:15 Press conference