**3EIT Community RIS Hub: Igniting Innovation in Ukraine**

**Date:** January 30, 2024

**Format:** hybrid

**Location:** UNIT.City, B8 building, Core (+ online broadcasting)

**Photos of the location:** [by the link](https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1rhxMf5vgIE4vqxmV_AA6i7OyyKxCfFpv)   
**Registration:** [by the link](https://lu.ma/gnoy9j3e)

**Description of the event:**

The launch event **EIT Community RIS Hub: Igniting Innovation in Ukraine**, takes place in Kyiv, Ukraine, on January 30, 2024. This event outlines EIT’s initiatives in Ukraine and presents prospective opportunities for startups, businesses, and Ukrainian entrepreneurs. We will engage potential partners to participate in EIT KICs initiatives and foster connections with key stakeholders in the Ukrainian tech and innovation community.

Along with partners, key stakeholders, government officials, NGOs, and startups, we are going to develop a list of key media and journalists, who cover tech, innovations, and startup topics and can share the messages about EIT Community RIS Hub opportunities for Ukrainian businesses and innovators.

**Timeline:**

| 10:00 – 10:10 | **Opening remarks:**  **Katarína Mathernová —** Ambassador of the EU to Ukraine (tbc)  **Martin Kern** — Director of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT), *participation online* |
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| 10:10 – 10:30 | **UA activities within European Commission Directorate-General For Education, Youth, Sport and Culture:**  **Georgiana Plesu** — International Relations Officer at DG EAC *(confirmed online)* |
| 10:30 – 10:50 | **EIT and Ukraine: previous results and plans for 2024**  **Marta Kaczmarek** — Director EIT Community Strategic Regional Innovations Cluster, EIT Health InnoStars  [**Piotr Pawelec**](https://www.linkedin.com/in/piotrpawelec/overlay/about-this-profile/) — RIS and Cross KIC Manager at EIT InnoEnergy |
| 10:50 – 10:55 | **EIT Urban Mobility Showcase** |
| 10:55 – 11:00 | **EIT Health Showcase** *(confirmed online)* |
| 11:00 – 11:10 | **The official process of signing the Memorandums of Cooperation between EIT Community RIS Hub in Ukraine and:**   * Ministry of Digital Transformation of Ukraine * Ministry of Economy of Ukraine * Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine * Ukrainian Startup Fund * National Research Foundation of Ukraine |
| 11:10 – 11:15 | **EIT Manufacturing Showcase** |
| 11:15 – 11:20 | **EIT InnoEnergy Showcase** |
| 11:20 – 11:45 | **Presentation of the EIT Community RIS Hub in Ukraine activities and plans**  Ihor Markevych — ECO in Ukraine *(confirmed offline)* |
| 11:45 – 11:50 | **EIT RawMaterials Showcase** *(confirmed online)* |
| 11:50 – 11:55 | **EIT Food Showcase** |
| 11:55 – 12:55 | Panel discussion  **“Strategic Alignment: Integrating Ukraine's Tech Landscape with the EU”  Moderator: tbc**  Participants (tbc):   * Valeriia Ionan — Deputy Minister of Digital Transformation of Ukraine *(tbc)* * Yevhen Kudriavets — Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine *(tbc)* * Oleksii Nischyk — Education Operations Director at Genesis *(confirmed)* * Oleksandr Hryban — Investment Team Lead at Advantage Ukraine *(confirmed offline)* * Anna Derevyanko — Executive Director of EBA, WTECH advisor *(tbc)* * Vitaliy Lavrov *-* Deputy Minister of Youth and Sports Ukraine *(tbc)* |
| 12:55 – 13:00 | **EIT Climate-KIC Showcase** *(confirmed online)* |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch and Networking |
| 14:00 - 14:05 | **EIT Digital Showcase** *(confirmed online)* |
| 14:05 - 14:10 | **EIT Culture and Creativity Showcase** *(confirmed online)* |
| 14:10 – 15:10 | Panel discussion of the **EIT Communities Advisory Board for Ukraine**  **“Navigating the Future – A Panel Discussion on Technological Development and Vision in Ukraine”**  **Moderator: Karina Kudriavtseva, Project Manager at EIT Community RIS Hub in Ukraine**   * Olena Fesenko — General Manager of the EEN-Ukraine Consortium, Head of Technology Transfer, Innovations and Intellectual Property Department * Pavlo Kartashov — CEO of the Ukrainian Startup Fund * Nazar Podolchak — Chief Executive Officer & founder of Scientific Park Lviv Polytechnic National University * Kateryna Shavanova — PhD in Biology, Head of R&D at Kernel. * Sviatoslav Sviatnenko — Co-Founder, CEO of cyber/nnov8 * Roman Tomashevskyi — Co-Founder, CRDO of OptySun |
| 15:10 – 15:30 | Рresentation from the **Horizon Europe - UA office**  **“Future plans and potential of the UA tech sector”**  Ihor Taranov — National Research Foundation of Ukraine *(confirmed offline)* |
| 15:30 – 15:40 | Closing Remarks |
| 15:40 – 18:00 | Networking at EIT Community RIS Hub in Ukraine |