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The Estonian Permanent Representation to the EU, The Ministry of Education and Research and The Estonian Research Council have the pleasure to invite you to a panel discussion:

“European Parliament supporting research and innovation for economic growth and competitiveness”

Thursday 25 September 2014, 15:30-19:00

**Permanent Representation of Estonia to the EU
Rue Guimard 11/13, 1040 Brussels**

Programme

15:30 Welcome and introduction

Clyde Kull, Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative of Estonia to the EU

Jevgeni Ossinovski, Minister for Education and Research, Estonia

Urve Palo, Minister for Economic Affairs and Infrastructure, Estonia (tbc)

16.00 Video message by **Jerzy Buzek** MEP, Chair of ITRE Committee

Examples on the ITRE Committee supporting European Research and Innovation

Krišjānis Kariņš MEP, EPP, Unity Party, Member of ITRE Committee

coffee break

16:45 Panel discussion – How can European policymaking support economic growth and competitiveness and enhance University-Industry cooperation in Member States?

Kaja Kallas MEP, ALDE, Reform Party

Marju Lauristin MEP, S&D, Social Democratic Party

Krišjānis Kariņš MEP, EPP, Unity Party

Volli Kalm Rector, University of Tartu

Erkki Truve Vice- Rector for Research, Tallinn University of Technology

David O’Brock Director, Molycorp Inc.

Moderated by Professor **Toivo Maimets**, Director of Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology, University of Tartu, member of the RISE Advisory Group to the European Commission

Networking reception

**We kindly await your confirmation by 10th of September 2014 by writing to brussels@etag.ee
Please note that this is a personal invitation.**

With kind regards,

Clyde Kull, Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative of Estonia to the EU