



VANGUARD INITIATIVE

New growth through smart specialisation

EFFICIENT AND SUSTAINABLE MANUFACTURING IN EUROPE

Interregional Collaboration on EU policies and programmes through the Vanguard Initiative

MORNING SESSION

April 14th 2023

European Parliament – Spinelli 1G1

Rue Wiertz, 2, 1049 – Brussels

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The Efficient and Sustainable Manufacturing Pilot of the [Vanguard Initiative](#) is aimed at sustaining the competitiveness of the European Manufacturing sector, by allowing the exploitation in Europe of innovative efficient technologies, methods, processes, and standards in production, contributing to materials and energy consumption reduction. To achieve this goal, **interregional collaboration** is fundamental through the development and implementation of project proposals under diverse EU programmes to promote cooperation among the institutions, industries and academia. This event will focus on policies and programmes in favour of innovation systems and industry in the programming period 2023 -2024 of the European Commission.

AGENDA

- 10:00 Registration
- 10:30 Welcome and meeting introduction – MEP Fabio Massimo Castaldo
- 10:45 Vanguard Initiative – VI Chair Gavin Lewis
ESM Pilot vision - Prof. Tullio Tolio / Paolo Vercesi
- 11:15 Industrial and digital policy and programming in the period 2023-2024
- DG REGIO, European Commission
 - DG RTD, European Commission
 - DG GROW, European Commission
 - DG CONNECT, European Commission
- 12:30 Q&A session
- 13:00 Closing – MEP Fabio Massimo Castaldo
- 13:30 End of Meeting*

*For those interested, the event will continue with a networking lunch and a workshop focused on De- and Remanufacturing for Circular Economy, Digital Transformation, Polymer-Based Functional Products and Energy-Flexible and Resource-Efficient Factory Operation topics at the *Lombardy Region delegation office in Brussels*.