Photonics21 Annual Meeting 2015
Photonics solutions for the European society
28 & 29 May 2015
Hotel Le Plaza,
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28 May 2015

19:00  Welcome
Michael Mertin, Photonics21 President & CEO JENOPTIK

19:10 – 19:30  Artistic light performance

19:30 – 22:00  Get together and walking dinner
Photonics21 Executive Board dinner

29 May 2015  General Assembly (Plenary)

8:30 – 9:00  Welcome coffee

9:00 – 9:10  Artistic light performance

9:10 - 9:15  Welcome
Michael Mertin, Photonics21 President & CEO JENOPTIK

9:15 – 9:35  Keynote speech
Günther Oettinger, Commissioner for the Digital Economy & Society (tbc)

9:35 – 9:45  Awarding young photonics researchers – Photonics21 Student Innovation Award 2015
Award ceremony by Günther Oettinger (tbc), Michael Mertin, Photonics21 Executive Board Member Roberta Ramponi and the award sponsors

9:45 – 10:00  The Photonics Public Private Partnership - Strengthening the European economic backbone
Michael Mertin, Photonics21 President & CEO JENOPTIK

10:00 – 10:15  The US National Photonics Initiative – Light Innovating the Future
Eugene Arthurs, Photonics21 Board of Stakeholders member

10:15 – 10:30  Photonics Venture Capital Initiatives in Europe
Giorgio Anania, Photonics21 Executive Board member (tbc)
10:30 – 10:45 **Launching first Horizon 2020 photonics projects and future funding opportunities for photonics**  
*European Commission Photonics Unit*

10:45 – 11:00 **Photonics for the Societal Challenges of Europe**  
*Introduction to the following thematic sessions (Speaker tbd)*

11:00 – 11:30 **Coffee break**

The coffee and lunch break will provide an opportunity to inform about the various activities of the Coordination and Support Actions Photonics4All, LIGHT 2015 and GoPhoton! presenting their activities alongside the event. (tbc)

11:30 – 13:00 **Parallel thematic sessions Photonics for the Societal Challenges of Europe**

13:00 – 14:30 **Lunch break**

**Moderators: Photonics21 Work Group Chairs and Vice-Presidents**

The purpose of the four thematic sessions is to bring the photonics community and different communities related to the Societal Challenges pillar of Horizon 2020 together and to start a dialogue with invited ETP and PPP representatives how to jointly contribute to the implementation of the Societal Challenges work programmes.

In the first part of the thematic sessions invited EC representatives will present where photonics may contribute in the different Societal Challenges work programmes. Representatives of selected ETPs and PPPs will further provide a keynote presentation as a first input to the following discussion. The second part of the thematic sessions will then focus on the discussion and identification of areas for potential collaboration.

As anticipated outcomes of the thematic sessions the workshop participants should identify areas and topics of potential collaboration between the photonics community and the different ETPs and PPPs, e.g. identify potential photonics-related research and innovation topics as input to the future Societal Challenges work programmes, agree on a joint workshop or a position paper.

- **Session 1: Photonics for smart cities and buildings**
- **Session 2: Photonics for the secure society**
- **Session 3: Photonics for resource-efficiency and green transport**
- **Session 4: Photonics for health and food security**

16:00 **End of the Photonics21 Annual Meeting 2015**