

## Photonics Partnership kicks off Strategic Research Agenda process for Horizon Europe

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Join the biggest photonics community event in Europe and learn about financing opportunities and major policy initiatives like the Chips Act.

The Photonics Partnership Annual Meeting has become the foremost high-level event for the European photonics industry, attended by more than 300 representatives including CEOs, heads of research institutions and representatives from the European Commission and EU Member States.

Photonics21 President **Dr Lutz Aschke**, Managing Director Mahr Group, will open the summit with a formal address on **30**<sup>th</sup> **June**, discussing opportunities and challenges for photonic technologies.

This year's event will have as its dedicated focus the financing of innovative photonics start-ups and SMEs. Hermann Hauser, serial entrepreneur, co-founder of Amadeus Capital Partners and initiator of the European Innovation Council, and Brendan McDonagh, Senior Advisory at the European Investment Bank, will provide insights into financing gaps and opportunities.

A distinguished speaker from the European Commission will provide the latest insights on the **European Chips Act**, how it will impact the photonics ecosystem and how to get involved. Moreover, you will receive the newest information on upcoming **Horizon Europe calls** in photonics.

On Day 2, the photonics community will launch the **strategy process** for a new photonics multi-year roadmap for the second half of Horizon Europe. The discussion for the future strategic direction of the Partnership will be the focus of the work group workshops, with invited guests from the EC Missions and other European funded partnerships.

During the registration process you can sign up for workshops with the following topics: Digital Infrastructure; Manufacturing; Health; Climate, Mobility & Energy; Safety, Security, Space & Defense; Agriculture & Food and Core Photonics.

Download the event program and register here.