

## Thematic workshop on financial instruments supporting student loans

### Agenda

**Date:** Tuesday, 11 February 2020

**Venue:** Radisson Blu Hotel, Zitna 561/8, Prague, 120 00, Czech Republic

**Language:** The main language of the event will be English.

**Moderation:** Mr Bruno Robino, European Investment Bank

- 09:00 – 09:30 *Registration and coffee*
- 09:30 – 10:00 **Welcome**  
Mr Jan Vaňkát, Ministry of Regional Development, Czech Republic  
Mr Daniel Pitonak, Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport, Slovakia  
**Introduction – Setting the scene**  
Mr Jader Cané, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission
- 10:00 – 10:30 **Financial instruments under ESF – Situation at present**  
Mr Andrea Da Pozzo, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission
- 10:30 – 11:30 **Student loans under ESF – The Portuguese case study**  
Ms Cristina Jacinto, Human Capital Operational Programme, Portugal  
Mr Nuno Proença, Human Capital Operational Programme, Portugal  
Mr Marco Neves, Sociedade Portuguesa de Garantia Mutua, Portugal  
*Followed by Q&A and discussions*
- 11:30 – 12:00 *Coffee and networking*
- 12:00 – 13:00 **Student loans under ESF – The Italian case study**  
Mr Alessandro Apa, European Investment Bank  
Mr Bruno Cassola, ICCREA Banca, Italy  
Mr Lorenzo Mancini, Intesa Sanpaolo, Italy  
*Followed by Q&A and discussions*
- 13:00 – 14:30 *Networking lunch*
- 14:30 – 15:00 **Skills and Education Guarantee Pilot under EFSI and Erasmus+**  
Ms Chiara Amadori, European Investment Fund
- 15:00 – 16:00 **Student loans under ESF – The Maltese case study**  
Mr Jonathan Vassallo, Ministry for European Affairs and Equality, Malta  
Mr René Saliba, Malta Development Bank, Malta  
*Followed by Q&A and discussions*
- 16:00 – 16:30 **Conclusions and way forward**  
Mr Jader Cané, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission
- 16:30 – 17:30 *Coffee and networking*