

Webinar “Technology Infrastructures in European Innovation Ecosystems”

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Speakers' list



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Senior Policy Officer,
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Patrick Schelvis is senior policy officer at the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate. At the directorate of Knowledge and Innovation, he is in charge of (large-scale) research infrastructures for both science and applied science institutes, and for data (sharing) and digitization aspects with a special focus on (applied) research. Previously, he also worked at the Dutch Embassy in Berlin as an advisor for innovation, technology and science.



Product Manager,
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Korneel van der Meer is a Product Manager within Huisman Equipment, he is responsible for strategic technology development to spur the energy transition. Prior to his current function, Korneel served as an R&D engineer, and later as a project manager for the implementation of novel equipment concepts as well as data driven support mechanisms. With a background in both engineering and business administration, his experience spans various technologies and development approaches, focusing on techno-economic optimization and practical solutions.



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Christa Hooijer is currently Director of Science at the unit Industry at TNO. She is an experienced director in the research industry, previously at FOM and NWO. She has a PhD in Physics from the *Vrije Universiteit* in Amsterdam. During her time at NWO she participated in drafting the ESFRI Roadmap and Strategy Report on Research Infrastructures, was member of the council of the European Synchrotron in Grenoble, and was a member of the SKA board.

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