



PHOTONICS PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP



Agenda Photonics Partnership Annual Meeting 2026

9 & 10 June 2026
DoubleTree by Hilton Brussels City Hotel

9 June 2026		
17:00	<i>Registration & welcome reception</i>	
18:00	Welcome & strategy towards FP10	Lutz Aschke , Photonics21 President & Supervisory Board Member Light Conversion
18:20	Keynote	Pierre Fossier , Chief Scientific Officer Thales
18:45	Keynote <i>European Commission Perspectives for Photonics</i>	Kilian Gross , Director DG CNECT, European Commission
19:10	Handing over of the Photonics Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda	Kilian Gross , Director DG CNECT, European Commission & Photonics21 Executive Board
19:20	Award ceremony Photonics21 Innovation Award	Lutz Aschke , Photonics21 President & Supervisory Board Member Light Conversion Roberta Ramponi , Photonics21 Chair of the Selection Committee
19:30	<i>Networking dinner</i>	



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10 June 2026		
09:00	Welcome	Lutz Aschke , Photonics21 President & Supervisory Board Member Light Conversion
Photonics Partnership and Chips JU		
09:05	Update Photonics Partnership	Werner Steinhögl , Head of Sector Microelectronics & Photonics Industry, DG CONNECT, European Commission
09:20	Update Chips JU	Anton Chichkov , Head of Programmes, Chips JU
09:35	Integrated photonics ecosystem in Europe	Abdul Rahim , Ecosystem Manager PhotonDelta
Photonics shaping the future		
09:50	Grand Challenges	Lutz Aschke , Photonics21 President & Supervisory Board Member Light Conversion
<i>15 Minutes break for change of rooms</i>		
10:15	Photonics21 Work Group Workshop – Grand Challenges	Photonics21 Work Group Chairs
12:15	<i>Lunch break</i>	
13:45	Photonics21 Workshop Core Photonics – Grand Challenges	Mike Wale , Professor UCL and Full Professor Emeritus TU/e
15:45	Conclusions and next steps	Lutz Aschke , Photonics21 President & Supervisory Board Member Light Conversion