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Southern Switzerland Innovation Forum

Digitalization and Sustainability
October 14th 2019, 2 PM
Lugano Arte e Cultura, LAC

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The University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland is pleased to invite you to the second edition of the Southern Switzerland Innovation Forum. An exchange of ideas between the political, economic and scientific worlds on the topic of innovation, analyzed from three different perspectives: The European, the Swiss and the regional level. The focus of the three sessions is a reflection on innovation and the influence of digitalization and sustainability in our region, provided by the participation of prestigious personalities and by success stories of innovative regional companies.

Programme

14.00 Welcome: Sophia meet Alberto and Claudio
SUPSI’s Board President Alberto Petruzella and Vice president Claudio Boër meet one of the world’s most famous Virtual Persons: Robot Sophia.

14.15 Panel 1 - Research and Innovation
Innovation case I
Round table
Science and innovation under the focus of digitalization and sustainability. What are the challenges?
Guests
Europe: Knut Blind, Chair of Innovation Economics, Technische Universität Berlin
Switzerland: Martina Hirayama, Federal Secretary for Education, Research and Innovation
Ticino: Giambattista Ravano, SUPSI Deputy Director for Research and Innovation
Musical interlude
performed by violinist Francesca Bonaita
J.S. Bach, Ciaccona (excerpt)

15.15 Panel 2 - Economy and Innovation
Innovation case II
Round table
Economy is innovation driven and gets more and more digitalized. What does sustainable innovation mean and how are these concepts translated into practice?
Guests
Europe: Alessandro Faccendetti, CEO Swiss Post Solutions Italy and Spain
Paola Corna Pellegrini, AD Allianz Partners
Switzerland: Renzo Cicillini, Site Head Lonza in Visp
Ticino: Riccardo Braglia, CEO Helsinn Carmine Garzia, Head of Research DEASS-SUPSI
Musical interlude
performed by violinist Francesca Bonaita
N. Paganini, Capriccio N. 11
M. Nyman, Caprice for solo violin “Vermeer’s Wife Watches Prawns” from Zoo Caprices (1986) op. 1

16.30 Panel 3 - Policy and Innovation
Innovation case III
Round table
How is innovation policy interpreted, do we need new concepts of sustainability? How can we facilitate a sustainable effective interaction between science, economy and society?
Guests
International: Claudio Boër, Senior Advisor Swissnex China and SUPSI’s Board Vice president
Europe: Giovanni Azzone, President Arexpo s.p.a
Otto Bruun, European Advisor for Innovation at SwissCore
Enrico Nardelli, President Informatics Europe, Università di Roma “Tor Vergata”
Switzerland: Christoph Eymann, National Council member, Canton of Basel-Stadt
Ticino: Christian Vitta, State President of the Canton Ticino and Director of the Department of finance and economy
Fabio Regazzi, National Council member and President of AITI
Marco Boradori, Mayor of Lugano

17.45 Theatre performance
by Faustino Blanchut and Kevin Blaser
Alumni Accademia Teatro Dimitri

18.00 Questions and conclusions

18.30 Closure
Franco Gervasoni, General Director SUPSI

18.40 Apéro and SUPSI’s exhibition of research projects and innovation cases

The Forum will be held in English and chaired by Gabriele Di Matteo, journalist, author and moderator, and Giada Marsadri, editor and host.

Registration deadline: 10th October 2019
via the following link
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