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CONFERENCE

EUROPEAN FUNDS: MANAGEMENT, CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY

21-22 June 2021

PROGRAMME

21 JUNE

Session 1

The new MFF¹ of the European Union, the RRF¹ and two major challenges for Europe: the climate transition and the digital future

09h30-10h00	OPENING SESSION <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ JOSÉ F.F. TAVARES, President of the Court of Accounts of Portugal▪ KLAUS-HEINER LEHNE, President of the European Court of Auditors▪ ANTÓNIO COSTA, Prime-Minister
10h00-10h45	PRIORITIES AND CHALLENGES UNDERLYING THE MFF/ Recovery and Resilience Plan <p><i>Panel moderated by JOANA MATEUS Journalist of Expresso, with</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ ELISA FERREIRA, European Commissioner▪ NELSON DE SOUZA, Minister for Planning of the Portuguese Government

¹ MFF –Multiannual Financial Framework I; RRF – Recovery and Resilience Plan

10h45-11h00	Break
11h00-11h40	<p>EUROPEAN FUNDING AND THE CLIMATE TRANSITION</p> <p><i>Panel moderated by PETER WELCH, Director of Chamber I of the ECA – Sustainable use of natural resources</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ JÚLIA SEIXAS, Nova University, Department of Environmental Sciences and Engineering; CENSE - Centre for Environmental and Sustainability Research ▪ SAMO JEREB, Member of the European Court of Auditors, Dean of Chamber I – Sustainable Use of Natural Resources ▪ Intervention by the Area responsible for the European Funds, Environment and Natural Resources in the Portuguese Court of Accounts
11h40-12h30	<p>DIGITAL FUTURE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ RICARDO BORGES DE CASTRO, Associate Director and Head of the Europe in the World Programme, in the European Policy Centre <p>DIGITAL FUTURE IN AUDIT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EVA LINDSTRÖM, Member of the European Court of Auditors, Chamber V – Financing and Administering the Union and Chair of the Digital Steering Committee <p>HOW TO FACE THE CHALLENGES OF THE DIGITAL FUTURE</p> <p><i>Panel moderated by CONCEIÇÃO VENTURA, Tribunal de Contas of Portugal, Director, and FABRICE MERCADE, European Court of Auditors – Spokesperson – Head of Communication and Media Relations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NUNO MANGAS, President of the Management Authority of COMPETE ▪ ALEXANDRE NILO FONSECA, President of ACEPI, Digital Economy Association
12h30	<p>CLOSING OF THE SESSION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EDUARDO FERRO RODRIGUES, President of the Portuguese Republic



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Session 2

Sustainability of public finances, management and control of the European Funds in the new EU MFF and the Portuguese RRF

09h30-10h30	<p>THE EFFECTS OF THE COVID-19 CRISIS, THE SUSTAINABILITY OF PUBLIC FINANCES AND EUROPEAN FINANCING</p> <p><i>Opening</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ JOÃO LEÃO, Minister of State and Finance of the Portuguese Government ▪ FILIPE NETO BRANDÃO, President of the Parliamentary Budget and Finance Committee <p><i>Panel moderated by ANTÓNIO MARTINS, Vice-President of the Court of Auditors of Portugal</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ANA FURTADO, member of the Court of Auditors of Portugal, responsible for the Opinion on the General State Account Area of Responsibility ▪ CLARA RAPOSO, President of the Lisbon School of Economics and Management
10h30-11h25	<p>MFF 2021-2027 AND RRF²/RRP: GOVERNANCE AND CONTROL MODELS</p> <p><i>Panel moderated by PAULO NOGUEIRA DA COSTA, Director General at Court of Auditors of Portugal</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NUNO MANUEL OLIVEIRA DOS SANTOS, President of the Agency for the Development and Cohesion, I.P. ▪ FERNANDO ALFAIATE, President of the Mission “Recuperar Portugal” ▪ ANTÓNIO MANUEL FERREIRA DOS SANTOS, Inspector General of Finances ▪ RIMANTAS ŠADŽIUS, Member of the European Court of Auditors, Chamber IV, responsible for the Institutional Relations

² Recovery and Resilience Facility



11h25-11h40	Break
11h40-12h25	EXTERNAL CONTROL AND RISKS IN THE MANAGEMENT OF EUROPEAN FUNDS <i>Panel moderated by NAZARÉ DA COSTA CABRAL, Chairman of the Public Finance Council of Portugal</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ IVANA MALETIĆ, Member of the European Court of Auditors, Chamber IV – Market Regulation and Competitive Economy▪ HELENA ABREU LOPES, member of the Court of Auditors of Portugal, responsible for the European Funds, Environment and Natural Resources Area of Responsibility
12h25-12h30	Break
12h30	CLOSING SESSION <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ MARCELO REBELO DE SOUSA, President of the Portuguese Republic