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***Unlocking Funding Potential:
Leveraging Fundings for
Knowledge Valorisation Ecosystem***
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PROGRAMME & PROFILES OF HOSTING ORGANIZATIONS

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DRAFT AGENDA

Venue:	Czech Institute of Robotics (CIIRC), Czech Technical University - Penthouse, Prague, Czechia
09:00 – 09:45	Optional Activity <i>Tour de CIIRC – National Centre for Industry 4.0</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Registration & Welcome Coffee
10:30 – 12:00	Welcome & Setting the Scene <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting the scene: knowledge valorisation as a driver for additional funding Mapping of funding opportunities Presentation of self-assessment tool and recommendations to policy makers for the 2028-2034
12:15 – 13:00	Showcase of success stories
13:00 – 14:00	Networking lunch
14:15 – 15:00	Policy instruments supporting synergies
15:00 – 15:45	Interactive case exchange on best practices, enablers and barriers
15:45 – 16:00	Wrap-Up & Conclusions



Church of Our Lady before Týn, historic Old Town Square in Prague.

Profiles of organisations and experts

APRE – Italian Agency for the Promotion of European Research

[APRE](#) is the Italian Agency for the Promotion of European Research, supporting national stakeholders in engaging with EU research and innovation programmes. Acting as the National Contact Point for the Horizon Europe Framework Programme, APRE provides information, training, and advisory services to enhance participation in Horizon Europe.

The Czech Technical University in Prague (CTU)

Founded in 1707, the [Czech Technical University in Prague \(CTU\)](#) is one of the oldest and largest technical universities in Europe. It comprises eight faculties with more than 18,000 students and offers 170 accredited study programmes, including 53 taught in foreign languages. CTU is recognised for its strong research base and international collaboration across engineering, technology, and applied sciences.

The Czech Institute of Informatics, Robotics and Cybernetics (CIIRC CTU)

Established in 2013, the [Czech Institute of Informatics, Robotics and Cybernetics \(CIIRC CTU\)](#) is a research institute of the Czech Technical University in Prague. It integrates information science, robotics, and cybernetics research with education and innovation. CIIRC hosts several national research hubs, including the National Centre for Industry 4.0 (with the Testbed for Industry 4.0), the National Centre for Construction 4.0, and the Centre of the City of the Future.

FRCT – FCT Foundation for Science and Technology

[FRCT](#) is Portugal's primary public agency dedicated to promoting scientific research, technological development, and innovation. It provides funding for research projects, supports capacity building in universities and research institutions, and facilitates national participation in European and international research programmes.

Ruizia

[Ruizia](#) is a research SME dedicated to the sustainability of islands and peripheral regions. It generates knowledge and supports local stakeholders in enhancing the performance and internationalization of regional research and innovation systems.

Xjenza Malta

[Xjenza Malta](#) is the government agency responsible for promoting and coordinating scientific research, technological innovation, and science communication in Malta. It oversees the national R&I strategy, manages national funding streams, acts as the National Contact Point for the Horizon Europe Framework Programme, and supports the development of Malta's space sector.