

From 10 billion to the Trillion Ambition

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Europe does not have a start-up problem. It has a scale-up problem.

In today's increasingly uncertain geopolitical and economic environment, the question becomes harder than ever to ignore: **can Europe build global champions at scale – and keep them European?**

This is precisely why **Future 500 - Champions of Growth** will be convened on **24 March 2026** at the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), Rue Belliard 99, 1040 Brussels.

We would be honoured to welcome you among a carefully selected group of **leaders, founders, investors, and decision-makers**

The strength of the programme is exceptional. It now brings together **more than 40 high-level speakers** from across European institutions, capital markets, strategic industry, and the founder ecosystem. Among them are **Marta Kos, Maria Luís Albuquerque, Kerstin Jorna, Michiel Scheffer, Guntram B. Wolff, and Petrit Malaj**, alongside senior leaders from **Euronext, Nasdaq, EIF, EBRD, Erste Group, and Tech Tour**, as well as founders and executives from companies including **InPost, Axelera AI, Neuroelectrics, HTEC, Cosylab, and Atmos Space Cargo.**



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European Commissioner for Financial Services and the Savings and Investments Union



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Michiel Scheffer

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Guntram B. Wolff

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Petrit Malaj

Minister of Finance, Albania

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And the conversation goes straight to the heart of the matter: capital mobilisation, market scale, long-term ownership, strategic industries, competitiveness, talent, and Europe's ability to turn innovation into enduring industrial and economic strength.

Put differently: **Europe does not lack innovation. It risks lacking the financial and institutional courage to scale it.**

Places are filling up quickly – secure your spot in the audience by registering before the end of the week.

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Warm regards,

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