Press release

Senior Managers to reconnect at the Ecsite Directors Forum



On Thursday 4 and Friday 5 November, over 60 Directors and Senior Managers (coming from 17 different countries) from Ecsite Full member organisations will meet together in person at La Cité des sciences et de l'industrie in Paris, for two days of stimulating discussion and an opportunity to **reconnect** and discuss together ways to **reinvent** after the pandemic.

Bruno Maquart, President of Ecsite and Chair and CEO of Universcience says, "Our *institutions as well as our network have been resilient during the health crisis, which has not yet come to an end. This year's edition of the Directors Forum will allow us to analyse the role we have played both individually and collectively these last months; an opportunity to exchange views on the way the crisis is changing us. Policymakers, scientists and activists will be meeting in Glasgow for the COP26 and during the event we will have a unique opportunity to share ideas on how we can address climate change."*

Day one will invite attendees to participate in sessions on whether science communication failed during the pandemic and how to use the pandemic to help reshape and reinvent their organisations' governance.

Day two begins with a session on how to tackle the climate and the biodiversity crises, before participants are taken on a virtual visit to Glasgow and COP26 to talk about collaborations between media and science engagement institutions, featuring the Natural History Museum (London, UK) and the New York Times Climate Hub.

You can follow the happenings and even take a look behind the scenes by following **#EcsiteDF2021** on our <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u> pages, or stay tuned to <u>ecsite.eu</u> for news updates. You can also discover the <u>full programme here</u>.

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