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INVESTMENT AND INNOVATION: AT THE HEART OF EUROPEAN RECOVERY

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The mild recovery that took its first timid steps in 2015 is primarily driven by low energy prices and by expansionary monetary policies. It therefore remains fragile, with persisting deflationary risks and high private and public debt. Notwithstanding the new approach taken by the European Commission, the core of which is the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), the EU still lacks behind when it comes to invest and innovate. Without these two elements, there is no recovery. The Progressive Economy Annual Forum will look into the interaction between investment, innovation and growth, and the role played by the entrepreneurial state in promoting them.

PROGRAMME

13:00-13:10 Introductory speech by **Gianni Pittella,** President of the S&D Group

13:10-13:35 Keynote and Q&A with **Frans Timmermans**, Vice-President of the European Commission

13:35-14:00 Presentations by the winners of the Call for Papers 2016 presented by **Jean-Paul Fitoussi**

14:00-15:15 High Level Panel Debate with:

- **Jean-Paul Fitoussi**, Professor Emeritus of the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences-Po)and at LUISS Guido Carli University, Rome, research director at OFCE and Co-Chair of the Progressive Economy Scientific Board
- **Anne Hidalgo**, Mayor of Paris
- **Louka Katseli**, Non-Executive Chairman of National Bank of Greece and Member of the Progressive Economy Scientific Board
- **Paul Magnette**, Minister-President of Wallonia and Mayor of Charleroi
- **Maria João Rodrigues**, Vice-President of the S&D Group

15:15-16:00 The Entrepreneurial State: socializing risks and rewards - keynote and Q&A with **Mariana Mazzucato,** Member of the Progressive Economy Scientific Board and holder of the RM Phillips chair in the Economics of Innovation at the Science Policy Research Unit in the University of Sussex

The Forum will be moderated by Jacki Davis, Meade Davis Communications.
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