

Concept Programme

D9+ Ministerial meeting

2025 Amsterdam

26-27 MARCH 2025



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Wednesday 26 March 2025

Special informal Head of Delegation kick-off | HoD + 1

16.45	Gather in the lobby of Hotel Apollo
17.00 – 22.00	Special informal Head of Delegation kick-off <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boat tour through the canals of Amsterdam• Drinks & dinner

Thursday 27 March

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Location: H'ART museum, Amsterdam

08.40 – 09.00	<i>Registration</i>
09.00 – 10.00	Opening D9+ Ministerial meeting Amsterdam 2025 Welcome and opening remarks Dirk Beljaarts , Dutch Minister of Economic Affairs Keynote Henna Virkkunen , Executive Vice President for Technological Sovereignty, Security, and Democracy of the European Commission Summary remarks regarding the B9+ <i>[TBC], The Confederation of Netherlands Industry and Employers</i>
10.00 – 10.05	A 'family photo' of the D9+ Heads of Delegations
10.05 – 10.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10.30 – 11.15	Session I – A comprehensive investment agenda for digital tech Short presentations on the European investment landscape on how to make better use of funding opportunities for digital technologies and effective mobilisation of private capital. Robert de Groot , Vice President at European Investment Bank Anke Huiskes , Managing Partner at NP Hard Ventures
11.15 – 12.00	Session II - Towards a strong and competitive European connectivity ecosystem
12.00 – 13.30	<i>Lunch break – separate lunch for Head of Delegations only</i>
13.30 – 14.15	Session III - The role of the digital government in enhancing the EU's competitiveness

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14.15 – 15.00	Session IV - Bridging the innovation gap and making AI thrive in Europe Short presentation on AI adoption and infrastructure to boost the European AI ecosystem. <i>Fabrizio Del Maffeo, CEO at Axelera AI</i>
15.00 – 15.15	Concluding remarks
15.15 – 16.00	<i>Informal cocktail reception</i>