

SOFTWARE IS THE FOUNDATION OF EUROPE'S DIGITAL FUTURE.

Let's make sure Europe has the capabilities to shape it.

Launch of the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) for the Future of Software

23 September 2026 • Brussels • 09:30–13:00

Venue

Delegation of the Region of Valencia in Brussels, Avenue Edmond Mesens 7A, 1040 Brussels
Near Montgomery, just two metro stops from the European Quarter.

Attendance

The event is free of charge. Participation requires registration, as seating capacity is limited.
<https://fd7.formdesk.com/openuniversiteit/sria>

09:30 • Registration & coffee

Welcome

Tanja Vos
Chair, Informatics Europe Software Research Working Group

Europe's digital future depends on software engineering

Han La Poutre
President, ERCIM

Building the software engineering capabilities Europe needs

Jean-Marc Jézéquel
President, Informatics Europe

Building the infrastructure Europe needs

Roberto Di Cosmo
Founder and Director, Software Heritage – *Online from the ESFRI Forum in Cork*

Software engineering: the missing foundation of Europe's AI strategy

Bertrand Meyer
CTO, Eiffel Software and Recognize AI

Europe's industrial leadership is a software challenge

Cornel Klein
Project Manager Software Systems & Processes, Siemens

From software capabilities to competitive products

Carlijn Compen
Vice President Software Development, Canon

Engineering trustworthy AI-powered software at industrial scale

Sigrid Eldh
Senior Specialist & Research Leader, Ericsson

Software at the heart of Europe's digital sovereignty

Florent Kirchner
Director for Digital Sovereignty, Secrétariat général pour l'investissement (SGPI), France

Launching the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda for the Future of Software

Tijs van der Storm
Chair ERCIM Software Research Working Group

Panel discussion & Q&A

Including Marc Duranton, Coordinator, HiPEAC Vision
Moderator to be confirmed

12:00 - 13:00 • Networking lunch