

# Gail Kent at the FIWARE Foundation Forum, Vienna, 1st June 2016

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## Event

The FIWARE Founders first event aimed to confirm the incorporation of organisations other than the Core Industry Group and to act as a platform for discussions and collaboration with industry. The event was organised by ATOS, with the support of the City of Vienna and the Wirtschaftsagentur Wien.

### Overview of the main items and evaluation of the mission

The mission was aimed at representing the DG in the event and side meetings replacing DG Roberto Viola that had to decline his participation due to agenda conflicts. I delivered a keynote address in the opening session of the event and gave a press interview. I also engaged in discussions with FIWARE Foundation Members and other stakeholders present.

The panelists at the opening session included [REDACTED] the City of Vienna and [REDACTED], Atos, in his capacity as FIWARE Foundation Speaker. Representatives from the City of Valencia, Malaga and Eindhoven were present and spoke in the next session.

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Most frequently underlined win-win assets of FIWARE were the principle of openness and its bid to make services across Europe interoperable and its contribution to the open innovation environment when creating an ecosystem with startups, corporates and users. Bringing more innovative internet services to consumers, citizens, businesses and the public sector was seen as an opportunity for European industry.

Open platforms will act as an important driver for the digitisation of the European industry and FIWARE was recognised by the industry representatives of ATOS,

[REDACTED] and others as a well advanced example of the industrial trend towards open service platforms and the data economy.

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### Extent to which the objectives of the mission were achieved

Objectives of the mission were fully achieved. The feedback received will be used by Unit E3 in further dealings of the Foundation..

### Follow-up required

Follow-up on a programme-level required in ensuring the openness and full functioning of the Foundation. Follow-up is entrusted to Directorate E.