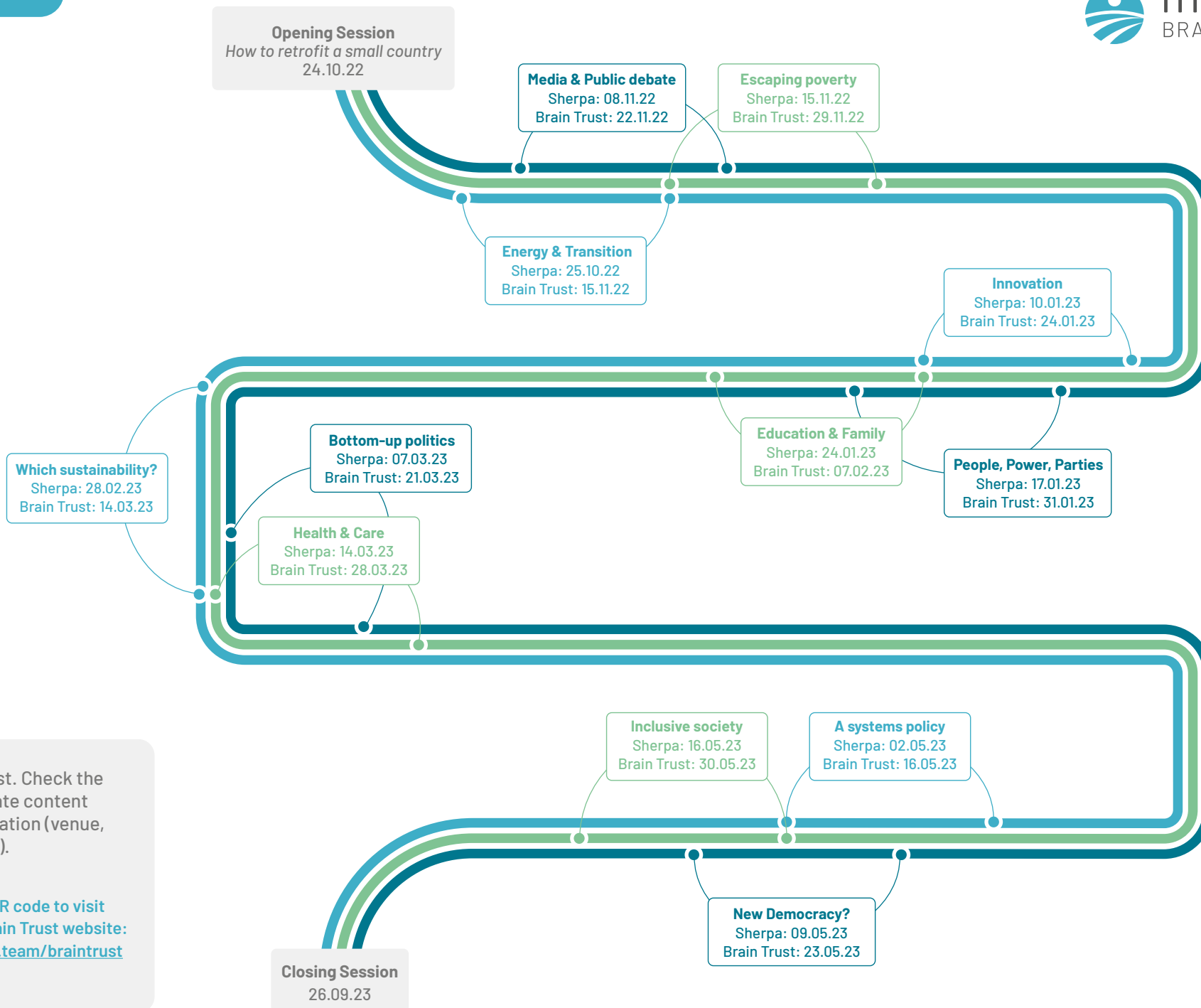


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Our world is changing rapidly. As the dominant species on this planet, we cannot neglect the responsibility to confront ourselves with the age-old question: quo vadis? Where is our society heading? The question arises in several places: in politics and public debate, in companies and in care organisations. Too often, institutions or factions will defend a particular agenda whereas society needs sanctuaries where individuals can freely engage with the res publica and approach the problems with which we are collectively faced without the need to represent any constituency. The complex and multidisciplinary nature of most challenges calls for spaces where people can make these connections and work on solutions from a systemic point of view, for society as a whole.

Itinera commits itself to be such a free space. As an independent think tank, we strive to position ourselves at the heart of society, thinking and acting creatively on solutions that can make Belgium a better country. Our method and tone of voice are guided by evidence-based interventions that seek out obstacles and by-passes in the current system and anticipate on the bottlenecks to come. Our horizon is the medium term, going beyond the day-to-day crisis management. Our Brain Trust initiative literally does what it says: harnessing a network of brains whom we trust to identify what exactly goes wrong in this country and where we can leverage the system from within.

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BRAIN TRUST CHARTER

Brain Trust is a political and systemic reflection organised by Itinera. It consists of a collection of debates with entrepreneurs, researchers, and practitioners from civil society. The outcome will be presented for feedback to the wider public of fellow citizens.

The Brain Trust's objective is to produce a road map for a more efficient and resilient Belgium, to fuel a qualitative public debate leading up to the 2024 elections, and to monitor a dashboard of indicators for gauging progress towards Belgium's bicentennial. Further details are available at www.itinera.team/braintrust.

This document outlines the rules of conduct. By engaging in the project, each participant acknowledges and subscribes to this charter.

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The conversations are founded on mutual respect for the **freedom of expression** and for the **diversity of experiences and perspectives** offered.

Interventions in the debate and communication to the public are done **in good faith**.

Each participant intervenes as a natural person, not as a representative of any group or organisation.

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