



INVITATION

Annual International SME UNION Conference

The World of Micro-Enterprises: Let them Start, Grow, Innovate & Employ!

Monday, 4 December 2006

13.30 -17.00h

House of European Region of Tyrol - South Tyrol – Trentino

45-47 Rue de Pascale, Brussels 1047

(2 minutes walking distance from the European Parliament)

organized by

Small and Medium Entrepreneurs Union
of the European People's Party (EPP)

in cooperation with

- European Enterprise Institute (EEI)
- European Association of Craft, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (UEAPME)
 - European Region of Tyrol - South Tyrol – Trentino

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| 13:00 -13:30 | Registration |
| 13:30 – 14:00 | <p>Welcome remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Christoph LEITL, President of the SME UNION of the EPP <p>Keynote Speech:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lenia SAMUEL, Deputy Director General of the Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities |
| 14:00 – 15:15 | <p>Panel I – The World of Micro Enterprises: Let them start, grow, innovate and employ!</p> <p>Introduction and Moderation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jerzy SAMBORSKI, Executive Director of the European Enterprise Institute (EEI) <p>Keynote Speech</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Françoise LE BAIL, Special SME Envoy, Deputy Director General DG Enterprise <p>Impulse Statements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Brigitte JANK, President of Vienna Economic Chamber ● Andrzej ARENDARSKI, President of the Polish Chamber of Commerce ● Hans-Werner MÜLLER, Secretary General of UEAPME ● Marian Petre MILUT, President of Romanian National Union of Employers (UNPR) ● David DOYLE, Head of EU Parliamentary Affairs, ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) <p>Discussion</p> |
| 15:15 – 15:30 | Coffee Break |
| 15:30 – 16:45 | <p>Panel II – The Role of Women Entrepreneurs & Family Enterprises</p> <p>Introduction and Moderation</p> <p>Etelka BARSI-PATAKY MEP, SME Women & Start-up President</p> <p>Impulse Statements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Elisabeth ZEHETNER, Secretary General of Women in Business, Austrian Chamber of Commerce ● Marie-Christine OGHLY, President of World Association of Women Entrepreneurs (FCEM), President of SME Women France ● Nadezhda MIHAYLOVA, Former Foreign Minister of Bulgaria, Former Vice-President of EPP, MP of the Group of Union of Democratic Forces Bulgaria ● Jovana NINKOVIC, Head of President Cabinet, Belgrade Chamber of Economy <p>Discussion</p> |
| 16:45 – 17:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Closing Remarks |

The event will be followed at **17:30h** by a **Coctail Party “Romania and Bulgaria – Welcome in the EU!”** with Romanian and Bulgarian specialities, SME UNION House, 22 Rue de Pascale, 2 minutes walking distance from the House of European Region of Tyrol - South Tyrol – Trentino and the European Parliament. All the conference guests are invited!

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