

EURIS Weekly Update WC. 30.04.18

Meeting dates for your diary

- EURIS Members Conference Call on the forthcoming EURIS Summit: **1st May 1pm – 2pm**
- Next EURIS Members meeting: **6th June 1030am – 3pm (Venue TBC)**

- EURIS May 2018 European Summit: **Evening reception 1930 - 2200 8th May and day of 9th May.**
- Future EURIS Summits: **17/18 October 2017 and 29/30 January 2018.**

EURIS- May European Summit 8th and 9th May

- We are currently at 59 attendees for the EURIS Brexit Summit – including 15 representatives of European trade bodies.
- We currently have 10 journalists attending the media briefing on 9th May after the summit – confirmed attendees are from: H&V News and RAC, Recycling and Waste World, Electronic Specifier, The Caterer, Foodservice Equipment Journal, The Consultant, The Engineer, Industrial Plant & Equipment and Hydraulics & Pneumatics, with more confirmed names from The Manufacturer and Manufacturing Management expected in the coming days.

Rules of Origin

- Thank you to all trade association executives who have sent through names and contact details of members for the EURIS Rules of Origin expert panel. This is incredibly helpful and we already have a strong looking line up. Just a reminder if you have not yet sent through names of members from your association who would like to join this panel, please do so.

Political Engagement

- EURIS has a meeting this week with the Office for Product Safety and Standards at BEIS (further to our recent letter to the Foreign Secretary on regulatory alignment following his Uniting for a Great Brexit Speech which was referred to BEIS).

EURIS Member News

- Chris Buxton, British Fluid Power Association CEO, attended a meeting with Michel Barnier at the recent Integrated Automation Motion and Drives exhibition at the Hannover Messe and has kindly shared his report of the meeting with EURIS members – please find this attached.

UK Government news

- Britain last week ratified the international agreement to set up a Unified Patent Court for Europe, an EU initiative that will enforce “unitary patents” across member states. The patent system will enable inventors to defend their rights with a single patent and a single legal system across the EU. It is designed to be less expensive and time-consuming than the present procedure, in which patents have to be registered and enforced in individual countries. But patents will continue to be examined and granted by the European Patent Office, a non-EU international organisation in Munich. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-ratifies-the-unified-patent-court-agreement>
- DExEU and Treasury Ministers last week visited Aberdeen to reassure businesses in the oil, gas and fishing industries of their future after Brexit: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/aberdeen-has-a-bright-future-post-brexit-ministers-tell-industry-leaders>
- Trade Minister Greg Hands gave a speech about EU Exit and promoting trade and set out the Government’s approach to non-UK trade priorities. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/trade-and-tariffs-brexit-and-beyond>

- Former Barclays Corporate Bank Head, John Mahon, started his new role as the UK's Director General for Exports last week <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/dr-liam-fox-welcomes-city-chief-as-director-general-for-exports>