

## EURIS weekly update 28.01.19

### **Next EURIS Members Meeting**

- **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 10.30am – 3pm** at the BEAMA/GAMBICA offices - Rotherwick House, 3 Thomas More Street, London, E1W1YZ.
- Further EURIS meeting dates for your diary are **18<sup>th</sup> March** 1030am – 3pm, **8<sup>th</sup> May** 1030am – 3pm and **12<sup>th</sup> June** 1030am – 3pm.

### **EURIS Sector Panel**

- The next EURIS Sector Panel meeting will be on 25<sup>th</sup> March at BEIS' office on Victoria Street. EURIS Sector Panel members have been informed of this meeting and the pre-meeting at the BEAMA/GAMBICA office beforehand.

### **Changes to requirements to REACH registration**

- DEFRA and HSE have started a media campaign to start to promote the changes to requirements for REACH registration. The guidance is available at: <http://www.hse.gov.uk/brexit/reach.htm>
- If EURIS members have questions about this guidance please contact: [REACH-IT@defra.gov.uk](mailto:REACH-IT@defra.gov.uk)

### **UK and New Zealand Mutual Recognition Agreement signed**

- Last week an MRA between the UK and New Zealand was signed. The agreement maintains all relevant aspects of the current EU-New Zealand mutual recognition agreement on conformity assessment and is designed to help facilitate trade flows between the two nations. The MRA means UK exporters can ensure goods are compliant with New Zealand's technical regulations before they depart the UK. New Zealand exporters to the UK benefit in the same way.
- The agreement covers sectors accounting for around £169m of UK exports to New Zealand - more than 17% of total UK goods exports to the country - and was signed by International Trade Secretary Dr Liam Fox and New Zealand's High Commissioner. More information can be found [here](#)

### **Brexit Select Committee report: Response to the vote on the Withdrawal Agreement and Political Declaration: Assessing the Options**

- There is a [new report](#) out today from the Brexit Select Committee, chaired by Hilary Benn, which concludes that a no-deal Brexit must not be allowed to happen and that one means of preventing it should be to allow MPs to vote on extending Article 50. The report was backed by 11 of the Committee's members, with the other five members (Brexiters) opposing its contents.

### **Brexit this week**

- The Government's Plan B plan on Brexit and amendments to it will be voted on tomorrow evening – voting begins at 7pm. MPs can table amendments up until the night before the vote and the Speaker will select which amendments are voted on. The business motion (which sets out the parameters for the debate) does not set a limit on how many amendments the Speaker can select, so it will be up to his discretion.
- The motion on 29 January is only in relation to the Prime Minister's statement. The Government will still need to hold another 'meaningful vote' to be able to ratify a Withdrawal Agreement