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Meeting dates for your diary

- Next EURIS Members meeting: 20th April 11am 3pm (BEAMA/GAMBICA office)
- 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

- As discussed at the last EURIS members meeting, EURIS will be hosting the first of a series of European Summits with our friends from Europe on 8th and 9th May 2018 at the Shard in London.
- The event will be open to all member associations of ORGALIME, ORGALIME partner associations, plus other interested parties representing European industry. UK industry will be represented by companies from the EURIS network and EURIS Trade Association members.
- The agenda for this event has now been drafted and it is attached to this week's update. All speakers referenced in the attached agenda have been invited and we have already had confirmation from Professor Alan Winters and Phil Earl, Deputy Director of Goods, Agriculture and Fisheries Department for Exiting the European Union. We are waiting on confirmation of the availability from the other political speakers listed on the agenda.

Negotiating guidelines

- The European Council last week published its draft negotiating guidelines for the future relationship between the UK and the EU. <u>https://g8fip1kplyr33r3krz5b97d1-wpengine.netdnassl.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/European-council-Art.50-23-March-2018-Draft-Guidelines-1.pdf</u> Key highlights include:
- A call for zero-tariff trade in goods where the EU has a surplus.
- Access for services to be limited by the fact that the UK will be outside the EU and will no longer share a common regulatory and judiciary framework.
- Repetition of previous EU warnings that there can be "no cherry-picking" of participation in the single market for particular sectors of industry.

The leaders of the remaining 27 EU states must now approve the plans at a Brussels summit on 22 March, setting the template for chief negotiator Michel Barnier for talks with the UK about the future relationship.

Rules of Origin – BEIS

- The EURIS Chair and Secretariat had a call with BEIS on Rules of Origin last week and BEIS briefly outlined the next steps from their side in terms of the information gathering process around Rules of Origin. These next steps involve BEIS sending out questions to individual EURIS trade association members (copying in an executive from the relevant trade association) asking for feedback on specific points these emails will not be sent out until BEIS have analysed the results of the RoO mapping exercise and this analysis is still underway.
- Next steps for EURIS include a webinar for members on Rules of Origin and the creation of a EURIS Rules of Origin Expert Panel.

Third party engagement

As a member of EEF, GAMBICA were last week asked for their thoughts on a letter the Prime Minister sent Chief Executive Stephen Phipson highlighting the key