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We're delighted that the British Plastics Federation have just joined EURIS as our newest member. Many of you will have met Stephen Hunt, Membership Services Director, at the BPF at the January EURIS members meeting. <u>http://www.bpf.co.uk/</u>

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

- We are currently at 38 attendees for the EURIS Brexit Summit including 10 representatives of European trade bodies.
- The latest version of the Summit agenda is attached Gonçalo Lobo Xavier a Board Member of AIMMAP (Portugal) is now confirmed to speak as part of the view from Europe session which is looking to be an extremely interesting part of the summit.
- If you would like to attend the summit and have not already told me you are able to attend, please do let me know.
- On 9th May, immediately after the main summit, we will host a media briefing from 4.30pm 5.30pm at the Shard. The Secretariat will invite national media to this briefing and is contacting all trade association executives/press officers to ask them to invite their trade titles. Closer to the time we will also prepare a press release to issue on behalf of EURIS and for EURIS members to send to their trade titles. We will discuss the possibility of an opinion piece with Richard Harrington's office once we have had official confirmation of his attendance/speech at the event.

Political Engagement

 Further to EURIS' recent letters to the Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union and the Foreign Secretary we have been offered and accepted meetings in the coming weeks with Sam McGeever, policy adviser at DExEU (16th April) and Susan Bide, Head of the EU Exit team in the Office for Product Safety and Standards at BEIS (1st May).

UK Government Brexit News

 Last week the Prime Minister went on a day long tour across the UK to mark one year until Brexit: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/news/prime-minister-vows-to-deliver-a-brexit-that-unites-the-uk</u>

EURIS Member News

The BPF are holding a Brexit seminar later in April and it is open to all EURIS members at BFP member rate. Full details are here: <u>http://www.bpf.co.uk/events/bpf-brexit-seminar-2018.aspx</u>

Best wishes

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