

EURIS Weekly Update WC.26.06.18

Meeting dates for your diary

- **First meeting of EURIS European Network 11am – 4pm 11th July** at Rotherwick House (BEAMA/GAMBICA office near Tower Hill).
- **Next EURIS Members Meeting: 24th July 1030am – 3pm** (venue tbc)
- **Next EURIS Summit 11/12 September.** (11th September 6pm – 8.30pm House of Lords, 12th September 9am – 3pm The Shard).
- 2019 EURIS Summit: **29/30 January 2019.**

First meeting of the EURIS European Network (11th July)

- Invitations have been sent out to our European colleagues ahead of the first meeting of the EURIS European Network. Thus far the following European colleagues are confirmed to attend:
 - Lighting Europe (Ourania Georgoutsakou)
 - Association of Swedish Engineering Industries (Teknikföretagen)(Klas Wählberg and Emanuel Badehi Kullander)
 - CECIMO (Filip Geerts)
 - APPLiA Europe (Lenka Jančová)
 - CEMEP (Marco Vecchio)
 - EVIA (Russell Patten)
 - EVIA (Jo Dardenne)
 - CECIMO (Marcus Burton)
 - The Federation of Finnish Technology Industries (Kimmo Järvinen)
 - Agoria (Jef D'Hollander)

Next EURIS Summit (11th and 12th September)

- As you will see from the meeting date information at the top of this email, the venues have been confirmed for the next EURIS Summit – a reception in the House of Lords on 11th September hosted by Lord Whitty and the main summit in The Shard on 12th September (courtesy of David Smith).
- We are in the process of drafting an agenda for the summit and inviting speakers – if you have any speaker suggestions, please do let me know.

Notified Bodies

- The Earl of Kinnoull, a member of the House of Lords EU Select Committee, question on Notified Bodies for EURIS has now been answered, please find the full question and answer below:
- *Lord Kinnoull: To ask HMG to issue a statement confirming that UK Notified Bodies can continue to work with UK manufacturers, checking their products confirm to the essential requirements of European Directives which have also been transposed into UK law, until the end of the implementation period.*
- *Lord Henley (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at BEIS): The Government recognises the valuable work undertaken by UK Notified Bodies in ensuring that products placed on the market have been through suitable assessment to ensure they comply with the relevant requirements. During the implementation period the UK will no longer be a Member State of the European Union, but market access will continue on current terms. For UK Notified Bodies this means that they will continue to be able to conduct third-party conformity assessments for both the UK and the EU markets as they do now.*

Political News

- The Secretary of State for Northern Ireland is in Brussels today (25th June) to meet Michel Barnier, the European Union's Chief Negotiator. During her visit, she will reinforce her commitment to upholding Northern Ireland's interests as the UK prepares to leave the EU and try to secure a deal on the border <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/secretary-of-state-to-meet-michel-barnier-in-brussels>
- Donald Tusk, President of the European Council, will be visiting Theresa May in Downing Street this afternoon ahead of the Council meeting later this week.
- The European Council meets later this week and on Friday Michel Barnier will update the EU27 heads of state or government on the state of play of the talks. The focus will be on 1) completion of work on withdrawal issues, 2) issues related to the border between Ireland and Northern Ireland and 3) discussions on the framework for the future relationship with the UK <http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/meetings/european-council/2018/06/29/>