

## EURIS Update WC. 206.03.18

### Meeting dates for your diary

- Next EURIS Members meeting: **20<sup>th</sup> April 11am – 3pm** (BEAMA/GAMBICA office)
- EURIS May 2018 European Summit: **Evening reception 1930-2200 8<sup>th</sup> May and day of 9<sup>th</sup> May.**
- Future EURIS Summits: **17/18 October 2017 and 29/30 January 2018.**

### EURIS- May European Summit 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> May

- Invitations to the EURIS European Brexit Summit have now been sent out - thank you to everyone who has provided contact details for European colleagues to send the invitations to. We are currently at 30 attendees for the event – including 8 representatives of European trade bodies.
- Hilary Benn MP, Chair of the House of Commons Exiting the EU Select Committee, is unfortunately unable to speak at or attend the summit, but we have secured Lord Whitty, Chair, House of Lords EU Internal Market Sub Committee, as a speaker at the drinks reception on 8<sup>th</sup> May instead. An updated agenda including this change is attached. Most speakers are now confirmed – we are just waiting to hear back from the Minister, Richard Harrington MP, and Baroness Verma and hope to have responses this week.
- If you would like to attend the summit and have not already told me you are able to attend, please do let me know.
- We are still waiting to hear back from the following European trade bodies, if you have a contact at any of these trade bodies and are able to help chase up a response that would be much appreciated:

<b>CEMEP</b>	<b>Marco Vecchio</b>
<b>CEIR</b>	<b>Anne Claire Rasselet</b>
<b>CETOP</b>	<b>Stefan Konig</b>
<b>ESMIG</b>	<b>Willem Straabing</b>
<b>EVIA</b>	<b>Russell Patten</b>
<b>Eu.Bac</b>	<b>Peter Hug</b>
<b>EWA</b>	<b>Johannes Lohaus</b>
<b>EU Heat Pump Association</b>	<b>Thomas Nowak</b>
<b>FEM</b>	<b>Oliver Janin</b>
<b>AFECOR</b>	<b>Norbert Burger</b>
<b>CEFACD</b>	<b>Dr. Dorothea Kadenbach</b>
<b>EFFCEM</b>	<b>Fabio Gargantini</b>
<b>EGMF</b>	<b>Paul Wilczek</b>
<b>ELA</b>	<b>Robert Wright</b>
<b>EURALARM</b>	<b>Glen Dale</b>
<b>Afbel</b>	<b>Mar Duque</b>
<b>EPEE</b>	<b>Andrea Voight</b>
<b>VDW</b>	<b>Dr Wilfried Schaefer</b>

### Implementation Period

- Last week the Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union, made a statement on EU-UK Article 50 negotiations: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/david-davis-statement-eu-uk-article-50-negotiations-brussels-monday-19-march-2018> and the terms of the Implementation Period, which was then signed off at last week's March European Council. Of particular interest was the agreement that:
  - Access to one another's markets will remain unchanged until the 31 December 2020.
  - The UK is free to negotiate, ratify and sign trade deals with new partners, while continuing to benefit from the EU's existing agreements during the period.

- The Withdrawal Agreement will be underpinned by a duty of good faith, with a Joint Committee in place enabling either side to raise issues or concerns.
- EURIS issued this response to the news: <http://www.euristaskforce.org/news/euris-welcomes-implementation-period-agreement/>

**Political Engagement Update**

- EURIS has now received responses to our recent letters to the Secretary of State for Exiting the EU on the Implementation Period and the Foreign Secretary on regulatory alignment. Please find these responses attached – we are arranging meetings with the officials referenced in each letter and will keep members updated on the outcome of these meetings.
- *Please note that these letters are for EURIS members internal use only – please **do not** publish them on your websites.*

Best wishes

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