



**European Business Organisations  
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Mr. Vital Moreira (MEP)  
Chair of International Trade Committee  
Parlement européen  
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Dear Mr. Moreira (MEP)

**Re: EBO Annual Meeting in Brussels, 21-23 November 2011 (Request for appointment)**

On behalf of the board and member organisations of the European Business Organisations (EBO) Worldwide Network, I write to request a meeting during our upcoming annual congress to be held in Brussels from Monday 21 to Wednesday 23 November.

This will be the first occasion that the EBO Worldwide Network will meet in Brussels, following the incorporation and registration of the network as an NGO in Brussels, and an accredited organisation with the European institutions.

The EBO network has existed since 2001 and, with the support of the European Commission and other business organisations including BusinessEurope, grown to become a network effectively connecting European business associations promoting trade and investment in key third markets.

Member organisations of the EBO Worldwide Network include officially-recognised European chambers and business council based in including Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Brazil, Chile, China, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Russia, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Ukraine, USA and Vietnam. This list continues to expand as the network grows.

The core objective of the network is to provide a formal forum whereby organisations promoting European business are able to share vital information on market access issues, exchange views on initiatives to promote European business in third markets, and to work with EU-level business and institutional partners to optimise opportunities for European business to succeed in global markets.

A necessary development has been to formally establish the network with a formal NGO status and official registration with the EU institutions, which has been concluded over the past six months. The organisations members of the network have elected a board to undertake the leadership and organisation of network activities, and it is in this capacity I request the opportunity to meet you during our upcoming congress in Brussels in November.

The agenda of the meeting will include interactions with EU institutional and business organisations, with focus on EU policies and programmes for the internationalisation of EU enterprises, particularly SMEs.

We believe that it is vital that EBO member organisations working in third markets establish and maintain a close and effective dialogue with EU policy makers and officials to achieve these common objectives, and therefore hope that a meeting can be scheduled with you during our programme.

Proposed date : 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011  
Proposed time : As proposed by International Trade Committee of European Parliament  
Time allocation : 30 Minutes  
Location : European Parliament

Please contact me for any further information, otherwise I look forward to your reply in due course.

Kind regards,

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