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**Subject: Access to Medicines in Developing Countries with a Focus on Africa -
Invitation Meeting of the Working Group "Local Capacity Building"**

Dear Madam/Sir,

On behalf of the European Commission, I would like to invite you to the first meeting of the working group "Local Capacity Building" in the framework of DG Enterprise and Industry's initiative "Process on Corporate Social Responsibility in the Field of Pharmaceuticals", platform "Access to medicines in Developing Countries with a Focus on Africa".

The meeting will take place in Brussels, Belgium on 23 March 2012 from 09:30 to 16:30 at Breydel building, 45 Avenue d'Auderghem, 1040 Brussels – Room 11A.

In the meeting we would like to discuss with the stakeholders the different aspects of local capacity building in Africa (such as production capacity, regulatory capacity, distribution capacity, clinical trials capacity, ethical aspects, etc.) and agree on the focus(es) the group's work would concentrate on.

Please find attached the draft meeting agenda.

Information on travel:

The European Commission is able to cover your travel costs, but only for one person per member state or association. A travel agency will contact you on our behalf in due course. **Please do not buy your ticket in advance, because we will not be able to reimburse them.**

The travel agency requests a list of participants requiring reimbursement one month before the date of the meeting. Therefore, I invite you **to confirm your attendance in Brussels no later than 26 February 2012 by e-mail to [redacted] at ENTR-ACCESS-IN-AFRICA@ec.europa.eu.**

For security reasons, access to the building will only be granted if your presence has been confirmed. You are also requested to show this invitation at the welcome desk.

In advance, thank you for your active participation.

Yours faithfully,

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