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*high level dialogue for a globalised world*

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Dear Mr. Smulders, Dear Ben,

On behalf of AECA we are writing to invite you to be the Guest Speaker at an AECA Round-Table Conference-Luncheon in Brussels. As a theme we propose "*Dealing with regulatory burden*". Your alternative proposal for a theme would be welcome, should you wish to change it.


You are already familiar with AECA as a dynamic forum for lively and informed debate on key current topics. Meetings, usually in the form of a round-table discussion for 24-32 participants, are attended by senior members of the international business, political, government and diplomatic communities. The discussions are off-the-record, under the Chatham House Rule.

If you are able to accept our invitation, we propose that we explore dates during the week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> May or during the week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> June, depending on your schedule. We would be pleased to look for an alternative time-scale if this is not convenient. The meeting would start at 12:30 and finish at 14:45. We would like you to make an introductory address of around 20 minutes, which would be followed by interactive round-table discussions throughout the rest of the meeting time.

Enclosed you will find our latest Programme of Events as well a short company description.

Thank you very much for considering this invitation to speak at our international forum. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

  
Chief Executive Officer