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Third European Business Summit
“Research and innovation:
A European strategy for
more growth and jobs”

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3rd Edition of the European Business Summit



EBS 1: Romano Prodi

It is our great pleasure to invite you to the **third edition of the European Business Summit**.

First organised in 2000, the European Business Summit has become THE meeting place for all those involved in the development of a dynamic, innovative and prosperous Europe.

“The European Business Summit creates this common meeting point by bringing together all the different actors, providing a forum for them to exchange their views and together exert some leverage.”

The Federation of Enterprises in Belgium (FEB), in association with UNICE, is calling on all companies in Europe to debate topics that increasingly dominate the news: the building of Europe and the impact of enhanced European governance on globalisation. Today's reshaping of globalisation is only made possible by dialogue and wider alliances, overcoming traditional and mutual differences of opinion among the various sides. Dialogue like this aims to bring together political decision-makers representing all political views, industrial companies of all sizes, trade unions, NGOs and personalities from the academic world throughout Europe. The European Business Summit (EBS) creates this common meeting point by bringing together all the different actors, providing a forum for them to exchange their views and together exert some leverage.

The goals of the European Business Summit (EBS) organisation are:

- To set up a **platform for dialogue** between the business world and the architects of the European political scene;
- At each summit, to **cover in-depth a new 'hot topic'** linked to current events, through an exchange of views between industry representatives and European political decision-makers;
- To enable SMEs to **meet political decision-makers face-to-face** and to enhance the visibility of these businesses;
- To increase companies' **knowledge of European affairs**; and
- To create a climate of **dialogue and confidence** between these different actors, in order to reinforce the European social and economic model.

This year's Summit focuses on '**Research and Innovation: A European strategy for more growth and jobs**'. The organisers hope to raise awareness among political and business decision-makers about the link between employment growth in the high-tech sector and growth in overall employment. Indeed it is now widely believed that creating jobs in the high-tech sector helps to create jobs in general, involving a wide range of skills.

The 2004 European Business Summit will contribute to the 'decompartmentalisation' of research and innovation. For it is essential that the policies followed in other sectors (such as the environment, energy, Internal Market and education) do not clip the wings of the Community's research and innovation work. On the contrary, all

European and national level policies should be geared to supporting and promoting the development of such initiatives.



EBS 1: From left to right : H.R.H. Prince Philippe, Steve Ballmer (Microsoft) and Georges Jacobs (UNICE)



EBS 1: Guy Verhofstadt

Welcome Address



Philippe Busquin
European Commissioner
for Research

Europe has set itself an ambitious goal: to become the most competitive knowledge-based economy in the world. Research and innovation are determining factors in meeting that goal.

EU Heads of State and Government agree that investments in research and development should reach 3% of GDP by 2010.

Two-thirds of the effort will have to be delivered by the business world.

The European Commission and national governments have to create the right framework conditions, but **it is industry that drives research and innovation.**

It is therefore of the utmost importance that policy makers and business leaders meet and discuss how more growth and jobs can be created through increased investment in research and innovation.

The **European Business Summit** of 11-12 March is an **ideal platform** to bring all "research & innovation stakeholders" together. If we want to boost research efforts in Europe, we need to have an **open debate** with all parties involved. **Policy makers should listen to the needs of the business world**, business leaders should explore ways to intensify the co-operation between industry and public research and scientists should feel better rewarded in Europe.

I was impressed by the **dynamics and the dialogue of the two previous European Business Summits**. I decided to support the third edition because I am convinced that it will contribute to helping Europe to achieve its goal of becoming the strongest knowledge-driven economy in the world.

I look forward to meeting you on 11-12 March 2004.



Dr Jürgen Strube
President of UNICE

Europe does not spend enough on research and innovation. A knowledge-based society needs a constant input of new ideas and inventions in order to reach competitive edge. But inventiveness on its own is not sufficient. **Greater cooperation between business and academic research** would help to ensure that research results are translated into marketable products. We also need a **more favourable legislative framework** for innovation. If only the costs for protecting intellectual property were brought more closely into line with what Europe's most important competitors have to pay, the European research situation would already look a bit rosier.

Research and innovation are vital for the development of new products and services, which in their turn are crucial for **successful entrepreneurship**. A true European research area with improved interaction between industry, government research and universities together with a **simplification of the rules for participation in Community programmes** would already ensure an increased **participation of entrepreneurs**.

Business leaders should speak out about the urgent need to develop a European research and innovation strategy if we want to create more growth and jobs. **The European Business Summit is the right place** to do so as it will bring together policy makers, business leaders, researchers and all other stakeholders involved in research and innovation.

Join us at the European Business Summit and take advantage of this unique opportunity to **boost your business** success through **direct contacts** with those who are shaping your economic future.



Luc Vansteenkiste
President of FEB-VBO

Programme Overview updated

Time

Thursday 11 March 2004

08.15 – 09.15

Registration

09.15 – 10.15

Thematic Session



J. Mu.



C. M.



J. B.

Technologies for better and safer food: Where can Europe take the lead?

- What are society's major "food safety" challenges?
- How can biotechnology meet these challenges?
- How to build public trust in biotechnology
- What policies are required to exploit the research opportunities?

Speakers

- Christian Paternmann, Director Biotechnology, agriculture and food European Commission Directorate-General for Research
- Jean Martin, President Confederation of the Food and Drink Industries of the EU and Business Group President Unilever
- Ciaran Meghen, Chief Executive Identigen
- Catherine Peckham, Deputy Chairman The Nuffield Council on Bioethics *
- Jim Murray, Director The European Consumers' Organisation BEUC
- Moderator: Jo Bury, General Director Flanders Interuniversity Institute for Biotechnology

09.15 – 10.15

Thematic Session



P. V. G.



T. S.



A. H.

Creating, protecting and exploiting intellectual property rights

- How can Intellectual Property Protection encourage R&D in new areas?
- The IP challenge for SMEs: is small always beautiful?
- Higher returns from public research through patenting and licensing
- Community patent: pipedream or achievable goal?

Speakers

- Ingo Kober, President European Patent Office
- Paul van Grevenstein, President Association of European Science and Technology Transfer Professionals
- Thierry Sueur, Vice-President Intellectual Property Air Liquide
- Ad Huijser, Executive Vice-President & Chief Technology Officer Royal Philips Electronics
- Moderator: William Stevens, Founder & Executive Director Europe Unlimited

10.30 – 11.45

Plenary Session



D. R.



J. S.



H. B.



R. A.

Financial and fiscal incentives: Abrasive or lubricant for innovation?

- Do financial incentives reach the right target?
- How to improve the venture capital market
- Tax competition or harmonisation across Europe?
- Which mix of incentives provides the greatest stimulus?

Speakers

- Francis Carpenter, Chief Executive European Investment Fund
- Didier Reynders, Federal Minister for Finance of Belgium
- Jean Stephenne, President GlaxoSmithKline Belgium
- Ken Guy, Managing Director Wise Guys
- Henryka Bochniarz, President Polish Confederation of Private Employers
- Moderator: Rudy Aernoudt, Head of Cabinet of the Federal Minister for Economy, Foreign Trade and Science Policy of Belgium

12.00 – 13.00

Plenary Opening Session



L. V.



M. J. R.



D. D. C.

Research and innovation in Europe: A European strategy for more growth and jobs

Speakers

- Luc Vansteenkiste, President Federation of Enterprises in Belgium
- Philippe Busquin, European Commissioner for Research
- Maria João Rodrigues, President of the Interministerial Commission for the follow-up of the Lisbon European strategy
- Didier De Chaffoy, Senior Vice President Drug Discovery Europe, Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research & development

13.00 – 14.00

Networking lunch



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14.00 – 15.30

Plenary Session



M.W.



A.Z.



P.B.

Energising economic growth with better energy

- Rational energy use: real solutions and new horizons
- Hydrogen, fusion and renewables: when will research deliver?
- How to stimulate innovative energy solutions
- Kyoto and nuclear energy: friends or foes?

Speakers

- Philippe Busquin, European Commissioner for Research
- Margot Wallström, European Commissioner for Environment
- Jean-Claude Steffens, Director Environment & Innovation Suez-Tractebel
- Roberto Cordaro, President and Chief Executive Officer Nuvera Fuel Cells
- Arthouros Zervos, President European Renewable Energy Council
- Moderator: Philippe Bodson, Member of the Board Prisma Energy International

15.45 – 16.45

Thematic Session



E.A.



D.J.



O.S.

Nanotechnology: Huge opportunity to revitalise the European economy?

- Capturing a leadership position for Europe
- From the lab into reality: when and where?
- How to attract public interest and support

Speakers

- Ezio Andreta, Director European Commission Directorate-General for Research
- Dominique Jozeau, Chief Executive Officer Nanocyl
- David Corr, Chief Technology Officer Ntera
- Gilbert Declerck, President and Chief Executive Officer IMEC
- Lucas Reijnders, Professor of Environmental Studies, University of Amsterdam
- Moderator: Ottilia Saxl, Director UK Institute of Nanotechnology

15.45 – 16.45

Thematic Session



T.L.



C.H.



W.D.B.

Environmental technologies: How to exert leverage on Europe's leadership worldwide

- Promising European technologies to solve global environmental problems
- Does local environment policy jeopardise Europe's global leadership position?
- How to attract public interest and support

Speakers

- Rolf Annerberg, Head of Cabinet of European Commissioner Margot Wallström
- Jacques Pétry, Chief Executive Officer Suez Environment
- Markus Akermann, Chief Executive Officer Holcim Group *
- Tony Long, Director WWF European Policy Office
- Colin Humphris, Executive Director Cefic, European Chemical Industry Council
- Moderator: Willy de Backer, Editor-in-Chief EurActiv.com

17.00 – 18.30

Plenary Session



A.D.



A.M.



M.C.



E.d.B.

Boosting innovation through people management

- How to prevent a brain drain and relocation out of Europe
- Making Europe more attractive for scientists and entrepreneurs
- Changing the culture by adapting regulation
- Making scientists and engineers think innovation

Speakers

- Anna Diamantopoulou, European Commissioner for Employment & Social Affairs
- Achilleas Mitsos, Director-General European Commission Directorate-General for Research
- Hans Straberg, President & Chief Executive Officer Electrolux *
- Marcel Crochet, Rector Catholic University of Louvain
- Gilles Capart, Chief Executive Officer Sopartec and President ProTon Europe Network
- Edward de Bono, Founder World Academy of New Thinking

19.30



Gala Evening (Egmont Palace)

hosted by Jacques Simonet, Belgian Federal State Secretary for European Affairs

- Philippe Busquin, European Commissioner for Research
- Jürgen Strube, President UNICE
- Edward de Bono, Founder World Academy of New Thinking
"If Europe cannot compete with costs, how can it compete?"



* to be confirmed

09.00 – 10.15

Thematic Session



E.L.



P.A.



T. McK.

Pharmaceuticals and biotechnology: Can Europe regain its leadership?

- What are society's major "life" challenges?
- How can life sciences meet these challenges (stem cells, generic medicines,...)?
- How to build public trust in life sciences research
- What policies are required to exploit the research opportunities?

Speakers

- Erkki Liikanen, European Commissioner for Enterprise and Information Society
- Philippe Archinard, Chief Executive Officer Innogenetics
- Tom McKillop, Chief Executive Officer AstraZeneca
- Carlos Martinez, Professor Department of Immunology and Oncology, Centro Nacional de Biotecnologica *
- Moderator: Brian Ager, Director General European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations

09.00 – 10.15

Thematic Session



D.D.



K.T.



P.B.

European Regions: Key partners in research and innovation

- The regional approach to competitiveness
- How to turn European Regions into attractive places to do business
- European policies stimulating regional development: Structural policies, enterprise policy, research and innovation

Speakers

- Philippe Busquin, European Commissioner for Research
- Daniel Ducarme, Minister-President Brussels-Capital Region
- Kevin Thompstone, Chief Executive Shannon Development, Shannon Free Airport
- Pierre Bourgogne, Director of Technology Transfer, Innovation and Strategic Intelligence for the Regional Council of Lorraine
- Moderator: Kevin Morgan, Professor of European Regional Development and member of the Urban and Regional Governance Research Group, Cardiff University, Cardiff School of City and Regional Planning

10.30 – 11.30

Thematic Session



A.V.



R.H.



S.H.

Defence and security: How to work better together for a secure Europe

- How to bridge the gap between military and civil research
- Enhancing EU's scientific and technological capabilities for ensuring a secure Europe
- How to improve the capability and utility of aerospace research
- How to tap better the expertise of SMEs

Speakers

- Antonio Vitorino, European Commissioner for Justice and Home Affairs
- Philippe Kourilsky, President Institut Pasteur
- Rainer Hertrich, Chief Executive Officer EADS
- Anthony Doherty, Business Development Director Daon
- Scott Harris, President Continental Europe Lockheed Martin Global
- Moderator: Giles Merritt, Director of the New Defence Agenda

10.30 – 11.30

Thematic Session



M.B.



P.M.



P.D.S.

The ICT challenge: Getting connected to an e-Europe

- Progress made on e-Europe 2005 (e-government, e-business, digital divide and broadband infrastructures)
- Information Society Technology and ICT approach to R&D
- Partnerships as a driving force in ICT innovation

Speakers

- Erkki Liikanen, European Commissioner for Enterprise and Information Society
- Miguel Borrás, Chief Executive Officer Antara Information Technology
- Paul Mehring, Chairman of the Board of the EUREKA Cluster ITEA and Head of Telematics and Strategic IT Research Daimler Chrysler
- Patrick De Smedt, Chairman Microsoft EMEA
- Moderator: Andreas Hürlimann, Global Head of Telecommunications, IT, Media and Electronics Practice Arthur D. Little



11.45 – 13.00

Plenary Session



M.H.



P.d.B.



P.J.E.



F.M.



D.J.

Re-appraising Europe's approach to innovation and research

Keynote speech

- Mary Harney, Vice Prime Minister and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment of Ireland and President of the EU Competitiveness Council in the first half of 2004



Speakers

- Philippe de Buck, Secretary General UNICE
- Pierre Jean Everaert, Chairman Interbrew
- Fientje Moerman, Federal Minister for Economy, Foreign Trade and Science Policy of Belgium

With a special business appeal to the EU Spring Summit by:

- Daniel Janssen, Chairman of the Board Solvay and Chairman of the ERT Working Group on Competitiveness

13.00 – 14.00

Networking lunch



14.00 – 14.45

Thematic Session

Innovate for a competitive Europe: a new Action Plan for Innovation

Speaker

- David White, Director of Enterprise Policy, European Commission Enterprise Directorate-General

14.45 – 15.45

Thematic Session

How can SMEs benefit from the 6th Framework Programme? A hands-on guide:

General overview of the financial instruments of the European Commission

- Head of Unit Research and SMEs *

The role of the National Contact Points/Innovation Relay Centers

Speakers

- Serafin de la Concha, National Contact Point, Madrid
- Jacques Everard, National Contact Point and Innovation Relay Centers Brussels

SME experiences in the 6th Framework Programme

Integrated Projects

- Paolo Pedrazzoli, Technology Transfer System, Milan

Collective research

- Federico Brugnoli, Conciaricerca Italia, Milan

Cooperative research

- Jens Müller, Trithor, Rheinbach (D)

15.45

End

Parallel Sessions

Alongside the core programme, additional satellite meetings are being organised by a number of organisations. Responsibility for these sessions lies with the organising institution/company. If you wish to be invited you can contact the person indicated directly. Check our website for a detailed programme of these meetings and for new ones.

Thursday 11 March

15.30

Medea Trade and the Arab-Belgium-Luxemburg Chamber of Commerce

"Euro-Arab Business Forum"

Contact Person: info@medeatrade.com

Friday 12 March

14.00

Fedichem Brussels

"A strategy for Biotechnology in the Brussels-Capital Region: from research to business"

Contact Person: Daniel Verbist - dverbist@fedichem.be



EBS 2: Parallel sessions



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As well as the congress, the European Business Summit is also widely appreciated for its many networking opportunities.

Our networking lunches, the gala dinner and the coffee breaks are the ideal occasion to build new contacts or renew old ones. A special area will be set aside for networking: private lounges that can be booked on the spot, comfortable meeting corners for private talks and a meeting area where the main actors of European research and innovation will be present.



On top of this, a list with the names, company profile and e-mail addresses of all European policy makers and business leaders present at the EBS will be sent to all registered participants a couple of days before the event. The Time2 on-line B-to-B platform will allow you to organise your business contacts and meetings before and during the Summit. A professional networking team will be at your service during the event to help you with all your networking needs.



Our luxury Summit Guide, which will be handed to you upon arrival at the Summit, will also be a useful tool for networking. Gathering all details of registered participants, our guide will help you track down the people you want to meet. Even after the Summit, you can use our Guide to maintain contact with EBS participants.



EBS 2: Networking Activities

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What's the EBS? Who's organising it? What for? For whom?

Welcome address:

The opinion of the European Commission and Unice about the EBS ...

Programme:

Updated programme with a link to the CV of each speaker

Registration:

Link to an on-line registration form



European Business Summit: Influencing the Political Agenda

In 2004, the European Business Summit will be the only European high-level meeting focusing on the European Research Area and reaching out to the entire world of industry.

This year's Summit comes at a crucial time. For the European Union is busy determining its future political agenda in terms of growth, competitiveness and innovation.

At the Lisbon Council in March 2000, EU governments pledged to "make Europe the most competitive and most dynamic knowledge-based economy by the year 2010". But this objective can only be achieved if it underpins EU policy-making across all sectors, especially in research and innovation.

On the eve of the European Spring Summit, the EBS will help identify the major challenges to the EU's competitiveness. It will also propose specific initiatives to boost this competitiveness and breathe new life into the Lisbon agenda. It is high time Europe's political agenda prioritised the creation of a genuine European Research Area and an increase in research spending to reach the goal set by the Barcelona Council in 2002.

The 2004 European Business Summit will coincide with the European Commission's first assessment of its action plan (likely to be published in time for the Spring Summit) to increase research investment in the EU to 3 per cent of Gross Domestic Product. The EBS is an ideal platform to engage all the stakeholders in this debate. Besides forging a strong position of solidarity, this event will highlight the new dynamics of European research policy.

The European elections in June 2004 are sure to change the political landscape of the European Parliament. The new MEPs will have to take wide-ranging decisions on budget allocation, affecting the importance accorded to research and innovation in the future. This year will also see a new European Commission, which will be tasked with setting priorities for its work programme.

Ahead of the 2004 European Business Summit, the EU online policy portal EurActiv.com will prepare special dossiers with background information on the most important issues to be discussed at the event. Preparatory documents on the conference will also be available from the EBS website (www.ebsummit.org).

A report for this year's Spring Summit will also be drawn up by Daniel Janssen, Member of ERT and Chairman of the Board Solvay. He will outline actions required to boost research and innovation in Europe. This report will follow 'The European Challenge', an ERT publication that includes recommendations for EU research policy.

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1. Visit our website www.ebsummit.org
2. Click on **“Registration”**

You will find an e-registration form to fill in - be sure to complete all fields marked with an asterisk (*).

The registration form includes all necessary information on registration fees, methods of payment and cancellation policy.

In addition, it allows you to make a hotel reservation.

3. Click on **“Submit”**

You will first receive an email to tell you that your registration has been processed. A confirmation of your registration will be sent to you by e-mail once payment has been received.

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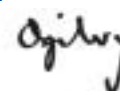
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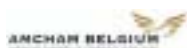
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Cordis, Community Research & Development Information Service, www.cordis.lu



CzechInvest, The investment gateway to the Czech Republic, www.czechinvest.org



EBF, European Business Forum is a quarterly business publication targeted at business executives worldwide. EBF aims to raise the European voice in the international management debate by bringing together business practitioners, academics and advisers, www.ebfonline.com

ERT, European Round Table of Industrialists, a forum of around 45 European Industrial leaders aiming to promote the competitiveness and growth of Europe's economy, www.ert.be



ESF, European Services Forum, the organisation representing the interests of the European Service industries in the context of WTO Services negotiations, www.esf.be



European House, Non commercial partnership for development of political, economic and cultural ties between Russia and the EU, www.european-house.org



Euro Info Centre, www.ccib.be

Europe-Unlimited, Access the investor and corporate relationship of Europe's innovative growth companies, www.e-unlimited.com



European Movement: Europe with us, www.mouvement-europeen.be, www.europese-beweging.be, www.europeanmovement.org



Fedichem, The Chemical Industry in Belgium and its Regions, www.fedichem.be



Friends of Europe is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the analysis and wider understanding of European policy issues, www.friendsofeurope.org



Growth Plus, Europe's Top 500 Job Creating Entrepreneurs, www.growthplus.org



IBBA, Irish Belgian Business Association



IRC - IRE, Innovation Relay Centre (IRC), your link to technologies and partners across Europe, www.cordis.lu/irc



JEF, The Young European Federalists: Simply a Generation Ahead!, www.jef-europe.net



Medeatrade, is an online business platform where companies can meet to develop relations and strengthen economic ties in the Mediterranean and Euro-Arab markets, www.medeatrade.com



Proton, Innovation from Public Research, www.protoneurope.org



SME-UNION, Small & Medium Entrepreneurs Union of the EPP, www.sme-union.org



Solidarité, Understanding...Connecting...Acting... thanks to the creation of alliances between different type of socio-economical actors to promote solidarity in all its forms, www.fondation-solidarite.be



Union of European Federalists (UEF), The UEF is an independent and non-governmental supranational organisation dedicated to the promotion of a Federal Europe. The UEF currently campaigns for a European Federal Constitution, www.federaleurope.org

VOKA, Flemish network of companies, www.voka.be



WPO, World Presidents' Organization, Learning & Living with purpose, www.wpo.org



Yes For Europe, Young Entrepreneurs for Europe, www.yes.be



YPO, Young Presidents' Organisation, International organisation promoting better leaders through education and idea exchange, www.ypo.org