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3rd EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT OF ENTERPRISES

Exactly one month from today, about 1000 business representatives from 45 European countries will gather in the hemicycle of the European Parliament in Brussels for the third edition of the European Parliament of Enterprises (EPE).

The European Parliament of Enterprises is the largest event at EU level that gives the floor directly to entrepreneurs, allowing them to provide politicians with bottom-up feedback on EU policies.

Entrepreneurs from all sizes and sectors of business, acting as Members of the Parliament, will vote on crucial topics currently debated at EU level, by which they are directly affected. The aim is to help define the business agenda for the new EU legislative term.

Topics will be treated in four different sessions:

- **Session 1 - Internationalisation:** global economic growth, free trade agreements, third markets, European Economic Diplomacy.
- **Session 2 - Skills:** vocational education and training, youth unemployment, skills mismatch.
- **Session 3 - Finance:** access to finance, equity financing, crowdfunding, late payments.
- **Session 4 - Energy:** energy efficiency, climate change, competitiveness.

“Less than one month before the start of the next EU term, the European Parliament of Enterprises will give the floor to the business community. In real time, businessmen and women will be able to set the tone for how the European policies affecting their enterprises could and should contribute to a more business-friendly Europe”, said Richard Weber, President of EUROCHAMBRES.

Martin SCHULZ, President of the European Parliament, has already confirmed his participation.

The European Parliament of Enterprises is organised every two years by EUROCHAMBRES, the Association of European Chambers of Commerce and Industry, in cooperation with its network of national Chambers.

Journalists invited to register

The European Parliament of Enterprises is open to all media. Journalists wishing to register should contact EUROCHAMBRES' Press Office (press@eurochambres.eu) or the [Press Officer of their National Chamber of Commerce](#).

The draft programme of the EPE is available [here](#)

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