

European Parliament Hemicycle, Brussels



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4th EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT OF ENTERPRISES

Brussels, Thursday 13 October 2016

On 13 October, EUROCHAMBRES and the European Parliament will jointly organise the fourth edition of the "European Parliament of Enterprises", the largest exercise at European level in economic democracy.

More than 800 entrepreneurs from 45 European countries and from all business sizes and sectors will gather in the hemicycle of the European Parliament in Brussels to act as MEPs for one day, debating and voting on crucial policy issues.

The aim of the event is to provide policy makers with direct, bottom-up feedback on EU policies affecting the business community. Topics will include trade inside and outside the EU, energy and environment, skills and migration.

Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament, **Donald Tusk**, President of the European Council, **Jean-Claude Juncker**, President of the European Commission, and **Ivan Korčok**, State Secretary and Government Plenipotentiary for the Slovak Presidency of the EU, have been invited to intervene in the event.

Richard Weber, Chairman of EUROCHAMBRES, said: "In these troubled times for the EU, the European Parliament of Enterprises will enhance mutual understanding between decision-makers and the real economy. Europe needs businesses, but equally, business needs Europe. The message that the 800 plus entrepreneurs will convey on 13 October is 'we want Europe to stay united and open and we are ready to contribute to its progress!'"

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. For the first time this year, it is organised in cooperation with the European Parliament's Science and Technology Options Assessment (STOA) Panel, with the two sides working towards an ambitious programme reflecting the common ground between their priorities.

More information on the European Parliament of Enterprises on www.parliament-of-enterprises.eu

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