Chambers across Europe ready to contribute to EU growth

The fourth edition of *Connecting European Chambers* illustrated successful experiences of Chambers of Commerce at European level, discussed case studies with the competent services of the European Commission and boosted the exchange of experiences among participants.

On 28 & 29 June 2018, EUROCHAMBRES and six national members (Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Spain) organised an event with the objective to inform its Chamber of Commerce network about trends and opportunities in EU programmes, and to stimulate exchange of best practise.

The programme included the launch of ***Chamber+***, which will aim at creating virtual Chamber communities, who agree to work together on specific EU programmes. **Arnaldo Abruzzini**, CEO of EUROCHAMBRES, said: "*Chamber+ will allow to create a more modern and dynamic European Chamber network working in the framework of EU-funded programmes, gathering chambers in communities of interest to work together and provide services that their members' need.*"

In addition, the programme included sessions about the future EU budget priorities for the period 2021 – 2027, Digitalisation and Innovation, Circular economy and capacity building for developing projects; and networking sessions to allow exchanges among participants in particular areas of interest. Around 140 participants, most of them senior staff and EU affairs experts from local and national Chambers of Commerce from 20 member States, participated.

Media content:
- Pictures of the event at: http://bit.ly/2N8GTBH
- Tweets about the event at: https://twitter.com/i/moments/1012315400246358019

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