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February 29, 2008

Dear Sir,

We are very happy and we send our congratulation about the new legislation for employee financial participation which Slovenia adopted today.

The European Federation of Employee Share Ownership celebrates its 10th anniversary in 2008.

We take this opportunity to hold the Seventh European Meeting of Employee Ownership in Brussels on May 23, from 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

At the agenda (see draft programme in appendix):

- Political roundtable about the significant progress at political level, in a lot of countries: Slovenia, Germany, Austria, Belgium, Spain, France...
- Publication of the first "Annual Economic Survey of Employee Ownership in the European countries" (Year 2007). For the first time, we'll be able to have a detailed picture of employee ownership in each European country, compared to others.
- Ranking of "The European Employee Ownership Top100" for year 2007.

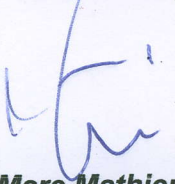
It seems very important to us that your Government could be part of the opening roundtable of the meeting.

We should be obliged if you would be present or send a Slovenian representative in this way.

Thank you very much for your interest.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,


Marc Mathieu
Secretary General

SEVENTH EUROPEAN MEETING OF EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP

BRUSSELS 23 MAY 2008

First Annual Economic Survey of Employee Ownership in the European Countries

The European Employee Ownership TOP 100 Ranking 2007

Friday 23 May 2008

Morning session

- 9.00 – 9.30** **Welcome and registration**
- 9.30 – 10.00** **Conference opening and welcome speeches**
Employee ownership is progressing faster and stronger across Europe than anyone could expect. A good framework for the European Federation of Employee Share Ownership celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2008.
- Didier Reynders*, Vice-Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Belgium
 - Guy Vanhengel*, Minister of External Relations of Brussels Region, Belgium
 - Cees Vos, President, European Federation of Employee Share Ownership
- 10.00 – 11.30** **Political roundtable about the significant progress at political level, in a lot of countries**
- Slovenian representative*
 - Angela Merkel*, Federal Chancellor, Germany
 - Christine Lagarde*, Minister of Economy, Finance and Employment, France
 - Wilhelm Molterer*, Vice-Chancellor and Minister of Finance, Austria
 - Sarah McCarthy-Fry*, Chair of All Party Parliamentary Group on Employee Ownership, United Kingdom
 - Miguel Millana Sansaturio, President of the Confederation of *Sociedades Laborales* and former Minister of Employment of the Valencia Region, Spain
 - Jean-Claude Marcourt*, Minister of Economy and Employment of the Walloon Region, Belgium
- * Will be represented / to be confirmed*
- 11.30 – 12.30** **First Annual Economic Survey of Employee Ownership in the European Countries**
For the first time, a full detailed picture of employee ownership in each European country, compared to others.
- Marc Mathieu, Head of Research, European Federation of Employee Share Ownership
- 12.30 – 13.00** **The European Employee Ownership Top 100 – Ranking 2007**
Celebration of the top European companies regarding employee ownership.
- Marc Mathieu, Head of Research, European Federation of Employee Share Ownership
 - Representatives of Top 100 companies
- 13.00 - 14.00** **Lunch**
Press conference

Afternoon session

- 14.00 – 16.00** **EFES General Meeting 2008**