

HIGH LEVEL-SEMINAR ON
KEY ELEMENTS OF COMPETITIVENESS OF THE EUROPEAN INDUSTRY IN INFRASTRUCTURE
PROJECTS OUTSIDE EUROPE

De Warande, Rue Zinnerstraat 1, Brussels, 8 October 2014

Chair: Prof Mark Eyskens, Chairman, PA Europe, former Prime Minister of Belgium

- 10.00 Welcome by former Prime Minister of Belgium and Chairman of PA Europe **Prof. Mark Eyskens***
- 10.05 Opening Address: Message by **President of the European Council Herman Van Rompuy***
- 10.10 Key Note Address on Europe's Industries and Global Competitiveness: the Way Forward by **Olivier Guersent, Deputy Director General in charge of Financial Services at DG Internal Market and Services, former Head of Cabinet of Vice President of the European Commission Michel Barnier***
- 10.30 Key Note Address on Investment Options for Europe – A Proposal for the European Fund for Investments by **Patryk Łoszewski, Director for EU Affairs, Ministry of Finance of Poland***
- 10.50 Key Note Address on Europe's Share in the Global Infrastructure and Energy Investment Market by **HSBC Managing Director Virginie Grand***
- 11.10 Key Note Address on the Relationship between Out-of-Europe Investment and Employment, Innovation and SME Development inside the European Union – from an Industry Point of View by **SEOPAN (Association of Infrastructure and Services Contractors and Concessionaires) President Julián Núñez***
- 11.25 Key Note Address on the Relationship between Out-of-Europe Investment and Employment, Innovation and SME Development inside the European Union by **Prof. Dr. Dieter Helm, Oxford University***

- 11.45 Roundtable Discussion
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 High Level Forum on Investment Modes, Facilities, Conditions and Global Competitiveness
- **Mr. Alessandro Carano**, Head of Unit and Managerial Adviser, Institutional Strategy department, European Investment Bank*
 - **Mr. Duccio Astaldi**, President, European International Contractors, and President of the Management Board, Condotte d'Acqua*
 - **Mr. Peter De Keyzer**, Chief Economist of BNP Paribas Fortis*
 - **Mr. Dirk Beeuwsaert**, Executive Vice-President, GDF SUEZ*
- 15.00 High Level Forum on Growth and Employment in Europe through Tied Investment outside the European Union
- **Mr. Didier Herbert**, Director Enterprise Competitiveness, Industry and Growth Policies, DG Enterprise and Industry, European Commission*
 - **Ms. Gunilla Almgren**, Chair, UEAPME (SME organisation of the EU)*
 - **Mr. Gert Dijkstra**, Chief Strategy & Communication, APG Asset Management*
 - **Mr. Ernesto Lopez Mozo**, Chief Financial Officer, Ferrovial Group*
- 17.00 Closing remarks by **Mr. Koen Geens**, Minister of Finance, Belgium*

**Accepted*

***Invited*