



# Register of Commission expert groups and other similar entities

## Commission Expert Group

**Name:** Network of SME Envoys (E02666)  
(Active - Group which operates on a permanent basis)

**Policy Area:** Enterprise  
Internal Market  
Other

**Lead DG:** GROW - DG Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs

**Type:** Informal, Permanent

**Scope:** Limited

**Mission:** The mission of the Network of SME Envoys is to ensure : \* implementation of the Small Business Act for Europe (SBA) and its Review by the Member States \* presentation to the European Commission of progress at national level \* exchange of best practices in SBA implementation \* discussion of future initiatives and key deliverables in SME policy at EU and Member State level. Meetings will be held regularly with representatives of EU SME business organisations, to enable an improved dialogue between stakeholders and to benefit from input from the business community into the governance process. The Network is chaired by Ms Elzbieta Bienkowska, EU SME Envoy and Member of the Commission for the Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs.

**Task:** Coordinate with Member States, exchange of views

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**Link to Website:**

[http://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/business-friendly-environment/small-business-act/sme-envoys/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/business-friendly-environment/small-business-act/sme-envoys/index_en.htm)

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## **Additional Information**

### **Activity Report**

30 March 2017; meeting in Zagreb

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### **Activity Report**

2016 Annual Report of the SME Envoy Network to the Competitiveness Council (presented 28 November 2016)

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 400 kb)

### **Activity Report**

Reports (This section will contain in the future all final reports produced by the SME Envoys; presentations and draft reports - insofar as they are published - will continue to be published with the meeting documents)

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### **Activity Report**

23 November 2016; meeting in Bratislava (SME Assembly)

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### **Activity Report**

7 October 2016; meeting in Brussels

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### **Activity Report**

17 June 2016; meeting in Ljubljana

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### **Activity Report**

31 March - 1 April 2016; meeting in The Hague and Amsterdam

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### **Activity Report**

18 November 2015; meeting in Luxembourg (SME Assembly)

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[Document 2](#)  
(approx. 591 kb)

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### **Activity Report**

22 September 2015; Meeting in Brussels

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(approx. 123 kb)

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### **Activity Report**

22 May 2015; Meeting in Milan (EXPO)

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### **Activity Report**

20 March 2015; Meeting in Paris

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### **Activity Report**

25/26 November 2014; Meeting in Brussels (jointly with EPG)

[Document 1](#)  
(approx. 369 kb)

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### **Activity Report**

3 October 2014; Meeting in Naples (SME Assembly)

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### **Activity Report**

6 June 2014; Meeting in Madrid

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(approx. 258 kb)

[Document 2](#)  
(approx. 1,864 kb)

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### **Activity Report**

11 March 2014; Meeting in Munich

[Document 1](#)

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### **Activity Report**

26 November 2013; Meeting in Vilnius (SME Assembly)

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### **Activity Report**

11 June 2013; Meeting in Brussels

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### **Activity Report**

8 February 2013; Meeting in Bologna

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### **Activity Report**

15 November 2012; Meeting in Nicosia

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(approx. 1,380 kb)

### **Activity Report**

15 June 2012; Meeting in Malta

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 79 kb)

### **Selection Procedure (members)**

The members of this group are the SME Envoys of the Member States, nominated by the national governments. The group is chaired by Commissioner E. Bieńkowska, the EU SME Envoy. European level (SME) business organisations attend the meetings as observers. The Network of SME Envoys is an advisory group for the implementation of the Small Business Act - SBA.

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### **Internal Rules of Procedure**

Role of the Network of SME Envoys

[Document 1](#)

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### **Other**

2015 Report to the Competitiveness Council

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 207 kb)

### **Other**

2014 Report to the Competitiveness Council

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 191 kb)

### **Other**

Annual Report 2013

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 6,408 kb)

### **Other**

Annual Report 2012

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 299 kb)

### **Other**

Workplan of SME Envoys

[Document 1](#)

(approx. 59 kb)

## Members

### Type C - Organisation

Name of Organisation	Category	Countries/Areas represented	Membership Status
BUSINESSEUROPE	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
Cooperatives Europe	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
EUROCHAMBRES – Association of European Chambers of Commerce and Industry (eurochambres)	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
EuroCommerce	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
European Association of Development Agencies (EURADA)	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
European Confederation of Junior Enterprises (JADE)	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
European Confederation of Workers' Cooperatives, Social Cooperatives and Social and Participative Enterprises (CECOP-CICOPA Europe)	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
European Family Businesses AEIE (EFB)	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
European Small Business Alliance (ESBA)	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
European Startup Network	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
Union européenne de l'Artisanat et des petites et moyennes entreprises, aisbl (UEAPME)	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
Young Entrepreneurs for Europe (YES For Europe)	Trade and business associations	European	Observer
Zentralverband des Deutschen Handwerks e.V. (ZDH)	Trade and business associations	European	Observer

### Type D - Member State Authority

Country		Membership Status
Austria	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Belgium	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Bulgaria	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Croatia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Cyprus	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Czech Republic	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Denmark	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Estonia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Finland	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
France	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member

Germany	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Greece	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Hungary	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Ireland	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Italy	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Latvia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Lithuania	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Luxembourg	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Malta	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Netherlands	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Poland	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Portugal	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Romania	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Slovakia	2 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Slovenia	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Spain	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
Sweden	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member
United Kingdom	1 Public Authorit(y-ies)	Member

### Subgroups

No Subgroups assigned to this group.

## Statistics

### Number of Members: 28

Type A - Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type B - Individual expert appointed as representative of a common interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type C - Organisation:	0		
Type D - Member State Authority:	28		

### Number of Alternate Members: 0

Type A - Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type B - Individual expert appointed as representative of a common interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type C - Organisation:	0		
Type D - Member State Authority:	0		

### Number of Observers: 13

Type A - Individual expert appointed in his/her personal capacity:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type B - Individual expert appointed as representative of a common interest:	0	female: 0	male: 0
Type C - Organisation:	13		
Type D - Member State Authority:	0		