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- CCI du Luxembourg belge / Euro-Info Centre Libramont
- Bureau Economique de la Province de Namur – Euro Info Centre Namur
- Hainaut Développement / Euro Info Centre Hainaut

The detailed coordinates of the different partner organisations can be found on the official website of the event at www.b2bmatchingevent.eu/smeforum07/ ► Partner List.

in collaboration with:



Practical Information

Registration deadline: Friday, 9th November 2007.

The participation in the SME Forum is free of charge. As your data will be processed immediately after your registration, any cancellation will, for administrative and organisational reasons, involve a single payment of 150,00 € per company.

Following the receipt of your registration form, your regional or national EIC will contact you in order to send you the cooperation form necessary for your final registration to the matchmaking event. An online registration to the business cooperation exchange system is also possible via the official website of the “SME Forum” at www.b2bmatchingevent.eu/smeforum07/ as well as at the following websites : www.stimutran-sme.com/MatchingEvents.htm ■ www.contact-ene.lu

Parking

Participants in the SME Forum can make use of the parking facilities of the fair ground, Entrance North.

Venue of the Matchmaking Event

LUXEXPO EXHIBITION CENTRE
10, Circuit de la Foire Internationale
L-1347 Luxembourg-Kirchberg

Map

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SME FORUM 2007:

The “b2b” platform for business meetings
in the Greater Region

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INVITATION

REGISTRATION FORM

to be returned at the latest by November 9, 2007

In order to promote business meetings between companies at interregional and international scale, the Euro Info Centres from 15 different European Regions have combined their efforts to organise the 2nd edition of the professional b2b platform "SME Forum" which will take place on 20th - 22nd November 2007 during the professional trade fair "CONTACT" at the LUXEXPO Exhibition Centre in Luxembourg.

This matchmaking event, which this year combines the assets of a professional trade fair and of a business cooperation exchange platform, represents an important gathering in one unique meeting place of the economic potential of innovative and dynamic SMEs from the GREATER REGION, including Rhineland-Palatinate, Saarland, Lorraine, Wallonia and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg; all ready to meet on an interregional level, but also open to do business with other European companies coming from the United Kingdom, Ireland, the Netherlands, Germany and Belgium.

This year, the SME Forum of the Greater Region is organised with the financial contribution of the European Commission, through the INTERREG IIIB NWE programme within the frame of the "STIMUTRAN-SME" project aiming at stimulating transnational SME interactions in North West Europe. This initiative is supported by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF).

The participation of companies coming from Poland will enhance even more the international character of this event.

The trade fair «CONTACT» is an interregional b2b event and represents a professional mix of exhibition, conferences and networking. Its main topic concentrates on «How can I, as a company executive, improve my operations and my bottom line?»

- Thematic workshops
- Bilateral meetings
- Matchmaking
- Cooperation
- Information stands
- Tailor made assistance

In parallel, the "SME Forum" will also offer to participating companies the opportunity to attend thematic workshops on several European topics (public tenders, transnational partnerships, strategic alliances, access to EU financing, etc.).

The b2fair/Stimutran-sme Matchmaking Event that is taking place during the fair will focus on the following activity sectors :

- Machinery & metal transformation
- Construction & construction material
- Foodstuff & packaging
- ICT – Information Communication & Technology
- Services to companies

- Entrepreneurs' Pavilion: Expertise, services, real estate and office supplies, financing, training & education, insurance, supporting organisations, communication & publishing;
- E-working Pavilion: Internet based services and solutions, web applications, multimedia, online media & online business.

This year the "SME Forum" will take place at the same time as the "Business Creation and Takeover Days – 2007". In line with the promotion of entrepreneurial spirit, this joint initiative of the Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber of Crafts, under the patronage of the Government of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, aims to gather under one roof all major public players and their services regarding business creation, development and takeover as well as company financing.



Programme

Monday, 19th November 2007:

6.00 pm	Arrival & Welcome of the different company delegations
8.00 pm	Evening Reception offered by the Chamber of Commerce of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

Tuesday, 20th November 2007:

10.30 am to 1.00 pm	Welcome & Registration of the participants
1.00 pm to 6.00 pm	b2fair/Stimutran-sme Matchmaking Event: Beginning of the bilateral business meetings
4.00 pm to 7.00 pm	Official Opening of the Trade Fair "CONTACT" & Welcome Buffet in presence of Mr Jeannot Krecké, Minister of the Economy and Foreign Trade and of Mr Maximilien Rouer, Co-founder of "BeCitizen"

Wednesday, 21st November 2007:

9.30 am to 12.30 pm	b2fair/Stimutran-sme Matchmaking Event: Continuation of the bilateral business meetings
12.30 pm to 1.30 pm	Lunch Break
1.30 pm to 6.00 pm	Continuation of the bilateral business meetings
3.00 pm to 5.30 pm	Thematic workshops on EU topics (*)
6.15 pm to 10.00 pm	Social b2fair/Stimutran-sme Evening Event and Dinner Buffet offered to all the participants of the SME Forum and exhibitors of the Trade Fair "Contact"

Thursday, 22nd November 2007:

9.30 am to 12.30 pm	b2fair/Stimutran-sme Matchmaking Event: Continuation of the bilateral business meetings
1.00 pm	Closing of the SME Forum 2007

At the numerous information stands located next to the matchmaking area, participating companies will have the possibility before, during and after the SME Forum to get personal advice and assistance on various EU topics as well as on any other measures and programmes related to enterprise policy in general.

(*)Thematic Workshops :

The detailed programme of the workshops offered during the event is published on the official website of the SME Forum at www.b2bmatchingevent.eu/smeforum07/ under the section ► "Programme".

Please note that the workshop programme will be presented partly in French, German and English. Interpreters will assure the translation of the presentations into the different working languages.

Company:

Surname, First name:

Position in the company:

Negotiation languages:

Street, No.:

Postal code, City:

Phone / Fax: /

E-mail:

Website:

- ☐ will take part in the b2fair/Stimutran-sme Matchmaking Event on
☐ 20th November 2007 (afternoon)
☐ 21st November 2007 (whole day)
☐ 22nd November 2007 (morning).

- ☐ is interested in taking part in one or more workshops organised within the frame of the SME Forum. The detailed programme of the workshops offered during the event is published on the official website of the SME Forum at www.b2bmatchingevent.eu/smeforum07/ under the section "Programme".

- ☐ will take part in the Evening Reception offered on 19th November, 2007 at 08.00 pm.

- ☐ will take part in the Official Opening Ceremony and Welcome Buffet of the « CONTACT » Trade Fair at the Luxexpo Exhibition Centre on 20th November 2007 at 04.00 pm.

- ☐ will take part in the Social b2fair / Stimutran-sme Evening Event and Dinner Buffet offered to all the participants of the SME Forum and exhibitors of the "CONTACT" trade fair on 21th November 2007 at 06.15 pm.

Please return the present registration form to:

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