16th ASIA-EUROPE BUSINESS FORUM
Connectivity - Building bridges between Europe and Asia

18 October 2018 - Egmont Palace, Brussels

PROGRAMME

08:00 - 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 9:15 Opening session
   Pierre Gattaz, President of BusinessEurope

9:15 – 9:45 Keynote addresses
   Dato' Lim Jock Hoi, ASEAN Secretary-General
   Pavel Telička, Vice-President, European Parliament

9:45 – 10:45 Panel 1
   What does business need from ASEM governments to respond to future challenges?
   Including topics such as: innovation, digitalisation, skills shortage and education
   - Robert Schoellhammer, Representative for Europe, Asian Development Bank
   - Thanh Do Tran, General Director of T & T Liquefied Power and Gas Company
   - Markus J. Beyrer, Director General, BusinessEurope
   - Lars Brückner, Director of EU Public Affairs, NEC Europe

10:45 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 11:30 Presentation of the EU Connectivity Strategy
   Violeta Bulc, European Commissioner for Transport
11:30 – 12:30 Panel 2
What is the role of business in building bridges?
Including topics such as: trade, infrastructure, energy, sustainability, connectivity
Ramkumar Dhruva, President Asia-Pacific, BASF
Aleksey Grom, President, Eurasian Rail Alliance (UTLC ERA)
Maxim Donde, Vice-President for Petroleum Product Sales, Lukoil
Manuel Pauser, Senior Director Global Government Affairs, Adidas

12:30 – 13:15 Keynote addresses
Nguyễn Xuân Phúc, Prime Minister of Vietnam
Erna Solberg, Prime Minister of Norway

13:15 – 14:30 Networking Lunch

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