

SMEs look forward to smarter EU legislation

EUROCHAMBRES welcomes today's European Commission's Communication on Smart Regulation, which sends a clear message to the business community in committing to respond to the needs of the smaller businesses as the main source of jobs and economic growth in Europe.

Arnaldo Abruzzini, Secretary General of EUROCHAMBRES, said: *"We definitely support the SME scoreboard and the list of the most burdensome EU legislative acts for SMEs – notably REACH, the shipments of waste regulation and the waste framework directive – also identified by Chambers."*

However, EUROCHAMBRES continues to regret the privileged treatment granted to micro-enterprises and the lack of concrete measures to gather data on SMEs, which prevents policy makers from devising rules that are fit for the future.

Now it is up to Heads of State meeting at the Spring Council next week to play their part to legislate properly and avoid gold-plating.

"Making the everyday life of SMEs easier is a shared responsibility," concluded Mr Abruzzini.

EUROCHAMBRES' Top 10 most burdensome EU legislation is available on www.eurochambres.eu/Content/Default.asp?PageID=1&DocID=5005

EUROCHAMBRES' position on Smart Regulation is available on www.eurochambres.eu/Content/Default.asp?PageID=1&DocID=4712

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