



International Support for SMEs

A new drive to launch global business for European companies has been launched by Birmingham Chamber. Enterprise Europe Network is the **European Commissions official business gateway to SMEs.**

Enterprise Europe offers **support** and **advice** to businesses across Europe and helps them make the most of the opportunities in the European Union.

The Enterprise Europe Network is made up of close to **600 partner organisations** in more than **40 countries**, promoting **competitiveness** and **innovation** at a local level throughout Europe and beyond.

Project co-ordinator Paul Meikle has been appointed to head up the new team with Cathy Davies still acting as European Information Centre manager, using her vast knowledge of EU legislation to help companies interpret and take advantage of output from Brussels.



Enterprise Europe provide the following **FREE** services:

- **Information** and **advice** on EU Legislation, Regulation, Policy and Funding Opportunities
- Alerts for SMEs on **EU wide public sector calls** for **tendering opportunities** and **calls for proposals**
- **Trans-national business partnership-facilitation** across all major sectors
- Information for EU companies wanting to **access markets** outside the EU and help for EU companies **importing** from non-EU countries.
- **Signposting** of businesses to relevant sources of EU **information, expertise** and **assistance** ensuring clients' needs are fulfilled in accordance with Enterprise Europe's **no wrong door** policy.
- Regular **bulletins** and **newsletters** to keep businesses updated of relevant **EU topics, developments** and **business opportunities**.

Enterprise Europe produces and distributes the following **FREE** electronic publications:

- **European Business Opportunities** - A monthly catalogue of business opportunities available in Europe. This contains information on companies who are looking for partners in the form of agents, distributors, representatives and also contains franchise and joint venture opportunities.
- **EU Alert** – A fortnightly bulletin designed to keep businesses aware on EU legislation, Regulation and Proposals
- **Access Europa** – A monthly bulletin containing country profiles and tendering opportunities available within the EU, EEA and third countries (including candidate states)

To receive our regular **FREE** bulletins please complete the request form and fax back to
Sunny Claire on **0121 607 0130**

Which Bulletin would you like to receive?

- EU Alert
- Access Europa
- European Business Opportunities

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The Enterprise Europe Network is run throughout the Midlands Region as part of a Consortium made up of Coventry University Enterprises, Birmingham Chamber of Commerce and Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Chamber of Commerce.

*Your access point in the West Midlands is the EEN office based in
Birmingham Chamber of Commerce & Industry*

