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Caro Presidente,

ho il piacere di trasmetterTi il programma del **convegno organizzato dalla FEE** (Fédération des Experts Comptables Européens) che si terrà a **Copenhagen dal 3 al 5 settembre 2008**.

La conferenza è finalizzata all'esame delle opportunità e degli strumenti per le PMI e studi professionali per far fronte alle criticità della globalizzazione, attraverso testimonianze e casi pratici. Interverranno relatori di alto prestigio della Commissione Europea e degli organismi internazionali preposti alla regolamentazione della professione contabile. Riteniamo importante promuovere iniziative volte a favorire il processo di internazionalizzazione delle PMI contribuendo a definire il ruolo del dottore commercialista ed esperto contabile e le sue prospettive future.

Al fine di incentivare la partecipazione dei Tuoi iscritti, Ti prego di voler dare massima visibilità a questa manifestazione, per la quale il CNDCEC ha accordato 11 crediti formativi.

Per ulteriori informazioni, la segreteria internazionale del CNDCEC sarà a disposizione dei Tuoi iscritti: international@cndcec.it

Cordiali saluti

Claudio Siciliotti



ACCOUNTANCY OUTLOOK THINK AHEAD ON SMALL AND MID-SIZED BUSINESS: **Opportunities and tools for the Accountancy Profession** FOURTH FEE SME/SMP CONGRESS - COPENHAGEN, 3-5 SEPTEMBER 2008

Offering SMEs and SMPs practical tools and networking opportunities through:

- Workshops and case-studies based on practical experience
- Organised networking facilities
- Wide range of topics: Effective audit of SMEs, taxation and cross-border activities, services and tools for SMEs and for small practitioners, recent EU developments of relevance to SMEs and SMPs, CSR: business risk and business opportunities, Ethics and the Network definition, and much more!

Keynote Speakers:

- Bendt Bendtsen, Minister of the Economy and Business Affairs, Denmark
- Pierre Delsaux, Director, European Commission
- > Paul Pacter, IASB, Director, Standards for SMEs
- > Hans Martin, CEO, European Policy Centre
- Sylvie Voghel, Chair of the IFAC SMP Committee
- John Greely, FEE Council Member, Ireland
- Stig Enevoldsen, Chairman EFRAG TEG

For information and registration visit the Congress website: www.feecongresscopenhagen2008.com Contact:

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Time	Programme	Contents	Speakers
09:30 – 10:05	Welcome	Opening of congress	The Danish Minister of Economic and Business Affairs, Bendt Bendtsen President of FEE, Jacques Potdevin
			Chair of NRF, Norunn Byrkjeland
10:05 – 10.30	Introduction	Setting the scene for the congress	Henry Heiberg, Chair of the congress committee
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Issues for discussion

- · Update on IASB IFRS for SMEs Project: latest developments and main features of future standard
- · Is there a role for IFRS for SMEs in Europe?
- \cdot Experience of field-testing of ED IFRS for SMEs in France from an accountants and SME perspective.
- · Do small businesses need an international financial reporting standard?
- · Reactions of small businesses and accountants on the main features of the proposed IFRS for SMEs

Facilitator: FEE Deputy President Hans van Damme

Paul Pacter, IASB

Françoise Flores, EFRAG Vice-chair Field Testing: France / Germany

13:15 - 14.15

Lunch



14:15 – 15:15	Plenary Sessions			
	III. Acquisitions and financing	Issues for discussion	Facilitator: Inge Saeys, Belgium	
		· Experience with the cross-border acquisitions of SMEs.	Ph. d. Geir A. Gunnlaugsson, Iceland	
		· The business case for a small business on cross-border acquisition(s)	Halldór J. Kristjánsson, CEO of Landsbanki Íslands	
		· Experiences on structuring and financing the acquisition and how to cope with national regulation and obtain local finance.		
		· Assisting in due diligence, evaluation and negotiation of an acquisition.		
		· What is the role of the accountant and what is the SME expecting from its accountant?		
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	1. Effective Audit of SMEs	Issues for discussion	Facilitator: Dan Brännström, CEO FAR	
		· Is there an efficient model for performing SME audit adopting ISAs?	Ben Scicluna, IFAC SMP Committee member	
		· Should the audit approach vary depending on size and character of the entity?	Hervé Puteaux (France, JPA)	
		· Is there a need for other supporting tools and what characteristics should they have?	Kåre Rødssæteren, Norway	
		· Experience with practical tools such as the IFAC Guide to Using ISAs in the Audits of Small and Medium-Sized Entities and "Descartes" (Norwegian audit tool for SMEs).		
		What are the expectations and demands from the profession to make the SME audit more efficient?		
	2. Taxation and Cross-Border Activities	Issues for discussion	Facilitator: Stefano Marchese, Chairman Direct Tax WP, FEE Vice President	
		· Risks in direct and indirect tax	Stephen Dale, Chairman FEE Indirect Tax V	
		· Opportunities for tax optimisation	Chas-Roy Chowdhury, FEE Direct and Indirect Tax WP, UK	
		· Tax and audit	Lars Loftager Jørgensen, FEE Indirect Tax WP, Denmark	
		· Tax simplification: tax burdens and compliance costs for SMEs		
	3. Services and Tools for SMEs and for Small Practitioners	Issues for discussion	Facilitator: Francis Chittenden , Vice Cha FEE SME/SMP WP	
		· Products and services other than traditional audit services and administrative services	Jan Pasmooij , NIVRA	
		\cdot Assessment of the performance of SMEs and , Credit Rating Service by accountants: experience from Dutch project	Gilles Maguet, Chief Executive of XBRL Europe	
		· Role and need for electronic reporting: XBRL for SMEs (taxonomy IFRS for SMEs)	Wolfgang Stegmann, Vice –President DATE (Germany)	
		· Techniques and rating tools for small practitioners: audit tools for the profession with XBRL structures as part of the tool and financial statements rating systems and industry benchmarks		



4. CSR: Bo Opportuni	Issues for discussion	Facilitator: Paul Druckman, Chair FEE Sustainability Policy Group
	· Testimony of a SME actively considering CSR matters, including reporting matters and use of GR	I G3 Helle Bank Jørgensen, FEE Sustainability Policy Group, Denmark
	\cdot Discussion by an auditor of the work he is undertaking in the area of CSR with SMEs with specific examples	
	\cdot EC report "Opportunity and Responsibility: How to help more small business to integrate social arenvironmental issues into "what they do" and EC activities on CSR and SMEs"	Thomas Dodd, EC DG Enterprises
	· Presentation of Swedish model for transportation cost and environment analysis.	Gunilla Sandström & Björn Elfgren, Sweden

16:45 – 17:30	Combined break and networking session With special networking facilities
19:00 - 23.00	Gala dinner at Statens Museum for Kunst (The Danish National Gallery)
	Transportation from Scandic Copenhagen at 18:30

Friday 5 September - Venue: Scandic Copenhagen

Time	Programme	Contents	Speakers
09:00 - 09:10	Introduction - Day 2		Henry Heiberg
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09:10 – 10:15		Recent EU developments of relevance to SMEs and SMPs (audit, accounting, simplification, company law)	Pierre Delsaux, EC Director DG Market
10:15 - 10.45	Break		



10:45 - 12:00	Workshops		
	5. Quality and SME audits	Issues for discussion · How to enhance and ensure the quality of the work, meeting about expectations within the audit	Facilitator : David Chitty, ICAEW UK Jens Poll, FEE SME/SMP WP, IFAC SMP
		The small practitioner and the International Standard on Quality Control 1 (ISQC 1) Quality aspects on services other than statutory audits, how are they considered from a quality control	committee Maria Bengtsson (FAR SRS Sweden) Mats
		perspective?	Olsson (Sweden Herra)
		· Perspective of a regulator on quality controls related to SMEs	Ingrid Melicherova, General Director of the Slovakian oversight audit
		· Quality control: a private or public matter	
		· Guide: The IFAC Guide to assist SMPs in the implementation of ISQC 1 (Quality Control Guide)	
		· Practical examples:	
		a) ISQC 1 · from a SMP view – structure and application.	
		Experiences of how a SMP solved its policies and procedures to meet the ISQC1 standard.	
		b) Quality control in a SMP	
		· experience from quality control work	
		· quality control on non-audit services	
	6. Repeal of Statutory Audits and changes of	Issues for discussion	Facilitator: Joakim Rehn
	accountancy for Small Businesses, focus on Nordic countries	· Opportunities and consequences of the repeal of statutory auditing due to the introduction or increase of audit thresholds.	
		· Alternatives to audits for small businesses	Henry Irving) (ICAEW, UK) Eva Törning, Sweden
		Is there a demand for an alternative to audits and reviews in the Nordic countries?	Rabbe Nevalainen, Finland
		Experience from practitioners in countries with a high audit threshold: can SMPs survive?	rabbe revalanters, rimana
		Trends in the accountancy for SMEs	
	7. SMP and public sector.	Issues for discussion	Facilitator: Caroline Mawhood, Chair FEE Public Sector Committee,
		$^{\circ}$ Reporting on the differences between private sector and public sector audits (with as example FP 7 based on the FEE Discussion paper on compliance with laws and legislation as published in December 2007	Bryan Ingleby, NAO - UK, FEE Public Sector Committee
		· Small practitioners (SMPs) reporting on their experience with public sector audits of local governments: what are the possibilities for smaller firms to be involved in public sector work: challenges and opportunities.	Peter Wundsam, FEE Public sector committee or Jan Tonnesen, Austria



		· Small practitioners (SMPs) to report on their experience with the audits of government grants for example with FP6 or FP7 audits: why of interest, what to focus on.	Pieter Mansvelder, Netherlands
	8. Ethics and the network definition	Issues for discussion	Facilitator: Finn L. Meyer
		· IFAC Code of Ethics and the use by SMPs, including consequences of the IFAC network definition	Michael Niehues, Chairman of the FEE Ethics Working Party and member IESBA
		· Implementation of the ethics and independency requirements in the Statutory Audit Directive for SMPs Experience of a transnational organisation that does not want to qualify as a network under the network definition: what practical steps taken and why.	Andrew Brown, EGIAN
		 FEE Study on Transnational Organisations and Practices within the Accountancy Profession: Trends and challenges and experiences Implications of the network definition How will the future firm look 	Martin Manuzi, ICAEW, UK
12:00 – 12:45	Setting the Scene for Europe in 2020	<u> </u>	
		· The business perspective · The financial reputation perspective · The accountant's perspective	Hans Martens, EPC Stig Enevoldsen, Chairman EFRAG TEG John Greely, Ireland
12.45 – 13.00	Closing	Reflections on the congress and closing of the congress	Deputy President Hans Van Damme and Vice-President of FEE, Jose Maria Bove

13.00 - 14.00

Lunch