



Programme - Beyond the crisis? Business in Europe 2014

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Event hosted by the European Ombudsman, Emily O'Reilly

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Room ASP A1-G2, European Parliament, Brussels

The economic crisis may have reached a turning point. After several tough years for European businesses, the outlook for 2014 is largely positive according to a *Eurochambres* survey. Yet many businesses continue to struggle and look to the EU for support.

The **European Ombudsman , Emily O'Reilly** , is bringing together high-level experts to discuss what is being done at the EU level to help small and big businesses. She will also explain her own role in resolving complaints from companies about red tape, lack of transparency, and other forms of poor or failed administration in the EU institutions.
Opinions

Arnaldo Abruzzini , Secretary-General of Eurochambres: "Economic survey: Business optimism returns in 2014"

Luc Hendrickx , Director for Enterprise Policy and External Relations, UEAPME: "Small versus big: What are the key challenges for SMEs in Europe?"

Responses

Markus Ferber , Member of the European Parliament (EPP): "What can Europe learn from Germany's successful business model?"

Sylvana Rapti, Member of the European Parliament (S&D): "What more should be done for businesses in the EU's most-affected countries?"

Emily O'Reilly , European Ombudsman: "The European Ombudsman is good for business"
Chair

Matthew Newman , MLex

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