

▣ ▣ ▣ Conference: Sustainable business transfers in Europe ▣ ▣ ▣ with specific focus on business transfers to employees



3rd June 2013 | 2.30pm

European Economic and Social Committee | Rue Van Maerlant 2 | Brussels | Room VM3

Programme

2.30 **Welcome speech**

Ariane Rodert - Vice-President of Group III, European Economic and Social Committee

2.40 **Introduction to business transfers to employees under the form of a cooperative in Europe**

Bruno Roelants - Secretary General of CECOP - CICOPA Europe

3.00 - 4.10 **Session 1**

Environment facilitating business transfers to employees under the form of a cooperative

- ▣ Support structures by Patrick Lenancker - President of CG Scop, French Confederation of Worker Cooperatives
 - ▣ Financial support by Aldo Soldi - Director General of Coopfond
 - ▣ The role of Trade Unions by Marie-France Boutroue - Confederal Advisor to the French Trade Union CGT
 - ▣ Spanish bankruptcy law by Paloma Arroyo - Director of COCETA, Spanish Confederation of Worker Cooperatives
 - ▣ Discussion with the audience
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4.10 - 5.20 **Session 2**

Sustainable business transfers in Europe: challenges and opportunities

- ▣ Business transfers in Europe by Bernard Jehin - Vice-President of Transeo
 - ▣ Family business transfers by Jesús Casado Navarro-Rubio - Secretary General of European Family Businesses
 - ▣ Transfers of business in the European Commission's perspective by Sylvie Ribaille - Unit Entrepreneurship 2020, DG Enterprise & Industry, European Commission and Mike Coyne - CSES, Centre for Strategy & Evaluation Services
 - ▣ Contribution of cooperatives to overcoming the crisis by Patrizia Toia - Member of the European Parliament
 - ▣ Discussion with the audience
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5.20 **Conclusions**

Rossano Rimelli - President of CECOP – CICOPA Europe