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Events & News

European Business Seminar: Renewable Energy Opportunities in Florida

September 29, 2010 | Brickell Bay Office Tower | Miami

On September 29, 2010, the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce Southeast, the Spain-United States Chamber of Commerce, the French-American Chamber of Commerce, the German American Business Chamber and the British-American Business Council Miami will host the fifth 2010 European Business Seminar Series at the Brickell Bay Office Tower, 1001 Brickell Bay Drive, Suite 2110, Miami, Florida 33131. Ilona Vega Jaramillo from Enterprise Florida will be discussing Renewable Energy Opportunities in the State of Florida. Registrations and breakfast will begin at 8:45 AM. RSVP to your respective Chamber.

The Palms Hotel & Spa European Chambers' Networking Reception was a Success!

August 26, 2010 | The Palms Hotel & Spa | Miami Beach

The European Chambers in Miami joined forces again for another successful Business Card Exchange Cocktail, on August 26, 2010. Over 250 guests attended. The Palms Hotel served some delicious appetizers and were giving complimentary massages to our guest. They raffled off a complete dinner for two. We are excited to inform Alain Berthelot, from the French American Chamber that he won this wonderful gift from the Hotel! The Palms has great Holiday packages and Catering specials. Be sure to check out their website at www.thepalmshotel.com



From our Chambers

New Member – Manchester Business School



Manchester Business School, England, has joined the British American Business Council as a Corporate Member, headed up by Patrick Foran, the Miami Director. It is opening a campus in downtown Miami this month, with an initial intake of 30 students. Manchester plans to grow and has a target of enrolling 120 international business students annually within three years.

The Miami Center is a natural location for a school that already has centers in Dubai, Singapore, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Rio de Janeiro.

The school has hundreds of alumni in America and has long wanted to have a permanent U.S. home, says Michael Luger, dean of Manchester Business School, which will be the first U.K. business school licensed to set up a campus in the U.S. The school was strategic about its decision to open a campus here, "We felt we could be the highest ranked B-school in the region and also have access to the Caribbean, South America, and other markets." He's hopeful that the school's more affordable price point for its Global Part-Time MBA program, will help the school compete with similar but more expensive programs offered in the U.S.

The Manchester program was ranked No. 2 by Forbes Magazine among non-U.S. two-year business schools in 2009 and No. 40 in global MBA rankings by the Financial Times in 2010. The Miami Centre extends the Manchester brand.

French company "Transgene" acquires the rights of an American Anticancer



The French biotech announced it would pay up to \$ 116 million to acquire the rights of an anti-cancer product developed by the U.S. laboratory Jennerex.

Transgene, a member of the Institut Merieux Group, is a publicly traded French biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the development of therapeutic vaccines and immunotherapeutic products in oncology and infectious diseases. Jennerex, Inc. is an American clinical-stage biotherapeutics company focused on the development and commercialization of first-in-class, breakthrough targeted oncolytic products for cancer.

The two in a joint statement said they will co-develop Jennerex's JX-594, a cancer-battling virus that has shown promise in early-stage trials for variety of cancers, including liver, colon, kidney, lung and melanoma. The product, designed by the American Society biotherapeutic, is currently in phase II clinical trials, the penultimate step before commercialization.

The two companies co-develop the product globally and will launch phase IIb and III clinical trials. Transgene ensure the development costs on its geographical area. It will be responsible for marketing and have the rights to produce the anticancer.

This partnership takes the form of a stake in Transgene Jennerex. The statement explains that the French company "has made an investment in the capital of Jennerex".

Their development plan for JX-594 will focus first on Hepatocellular Carcinoma, both in first-line and second-line treatment, and on colorectal cancer. JX-594 is designed to attack cancer in three ways: via the destruction of cancer cells through viral replication; by cutting off the blood supply to tumors, and through stimulation of the body's immune response against cancer cells.

The market liked the announcement of this collaboration, and won the title more than 7% to 11 hours this Wednesday, thus achieving the highest increase in the Parisian market. French biotech investing in a field it knows well: the treatment against cancer. Even if there is still a risk that the JX-594 of Jennerex could be rejected in phase III clinical trials, investors thought the risk was measured.



GABC Miami welcomes new Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany



On August 23, 2010, the new German Consul General to Florida, Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands arrived in Miami. Many will remember that Countess Kendeffy was the previous Consul General here, from 2004 to 2007, thus this will not be new territory for her. At the time, in 2007, she received the GABC's Distinguished German American Award of Excellence for her outstanding achievements in South Florida's German American community. Once again the GABC is looking forward to work intently and harmoniously over the next three years with the Consul General. The GABC will host a luncheon within the coming months to present her to this organization's membership.



The New Addition to IACC Southeast THE FIRST PHASE TOWARDS EXPANSION



This quarter will mark the first phase of IACC's expansion and we will have many inaugural events in store for you. As Marco Ferri stated in his Presidential appointment letter, the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce Southeast has dedicated nearly 20 years to offering its members the utmost opportunities and support in the Southeastern United States, and the set expansion promises this and more.

It is our pleasure to announce the inauguration of the IACC representative office in Milan on October 28th. The office, domiciled at Pelosi Law Firm offices - founder Giancarlo Pelosi, has been sitting in the IACC Board of Directors since April 2008 - is centrally situated at Piazza Diaz overlooking the spectacular *Duomo di Milano*. The inaugural event will take place at Terrazza Martini, in the very same premises. The event will count with the participation of IACC's representatives, prominent guests from the political and economic communities in Milan, and distinguished Italian and American diplomats. The representative office in Milan will fulfill a vital referral role for our Italian partners, as it will serve as the first point of contact for the Italian companies interested in expanding southeast of the United States.



For more information contact the office at: +39 02 7200 5264 or send an e-mail to milano@iaccse.com.

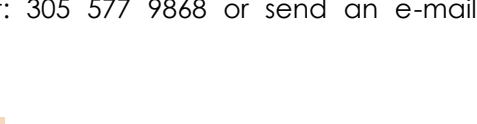
Soon to follow is yet another important event which will take place in the United States: the inauguration of IACC's Chapter in South Carolina. For the past few months, our Board of Directors has carefully reviewed the diverse opportunities of expansion and potential candidates, well established in the territory, and qualified to assist Italian-American entrepreneurs and collect information on the many opportunities available for Italian businesses. Thanks to the support of the Italian General Consulate in Miami, we have worked in collaboration with the Honorary Italian Consul of South Carolina, and Vice President of the Mediterranean Shipping Co. USA in Charleston, Sergio Fedelini who was unanimously appointed by the Board of Directors as the Area's Vice President last July. The inauguration is scheduled for November 8th to be held at MSC's headquarters in the presence of the IACC's representatives, the Honorary Consul General Marco Rocca, the local authorities and business community.



For more information contact them at: 1 843 654 6030 or send an e-mail to charleston@iaccse.com.

So near but yet so far, Palm Beach County has been an unrealized dream for our Chamber. Despite the geographical proximity, in the past, we have sporadically organized promotional Made in Italy events. To meet the growing demand of the Italian-American community in Palm Beach County and current and potential members, we have instituted a Palm Beach Committee who is responsible, together with the IACC's staff, of creating a calendar of events for the Italian-American community in Palm Beach County. For the last few months, the committee has regularly met to give life to this project that will be launched on September 23rd at the Cocktail Reception. For more information contact us at: 305 577 9868 or send an e-mail palmbeach@iaccse.com.

The Spain-US Chamber of Commerce Welcomes Ambassador Barrios Almazor as the new General Consul of Spain



The Spain-US Chamber of Commerce welcomes the new General Consul of Spain in Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina, Ambassador Maria Cristina Barrios Almazor.

In 1979, Ambassador Barrios Almazor began her distinguished diplomatic career. At the present time she has held over 8 high-status positions in various countries, including but not limited to the following: Ambassador General Director for Protocol at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Madrid, Ambassador of Spain to the Kingdom of Sweden, Ambassador of Spain in Latvia, Ambassador of Spain in Mexico, Ambassador -at-Large for Climate Change, and most recently Ambassador-at-Large for Reconstruction of Haiti, before arriving in Miami as Consul General of Spain.

Along with her extensive diplomatic career she has received over 50 decorations including the Commander and Lazo de Dama of the Order of Isabel the Catholic.

The Chamber is excited to work hand in hand with Ambassador Barrios Almazor in achieving our mission to enhance commercial ties between Spain and the U.S.



SEPTEMBER 2010 CALENDAR

Combined European Chamber of Commerce Events

Business Seminar Series: Florida and the Renewable Energy Opportunities

Guest Speaker: Ilona Vega Jaramillo, Enterprise Florida

Date & Time: September 29, 2010 | 8:45-10:00 AM

Location: 1001 Brickell Bay Drive, Suite 2110 Miami, Florida 33131

Cost: Members: Free | Non Members: \$20

RSVP: Please contact your respective Chamber.

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