

European Chambers of Commerce Newsletter

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European Business Seminar: Taxation Tips for Small and Medium Companies

April 07, 2010 | Società Dante Alighieri | Miami

On April 07, 2010, the European Chambers hosted the second part of the 2010 European Business Seminar Series at the Società Dante Alighieri in Miami. The second business seminar was on taxation in Florida for small and medium companies and was conducted by Jose Angulo, Florida Department of Revenue. The seminar series was put together by the Spain-US Chamber of Commerce, the French-American Chamber of Commerce, the German American Business Chamber, the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce Southeast, and the British-American Business Council Miami which turned out to be a great success. The next seminar will be held on May 5, 2010 on the topic of labor laws, and the speaker will be Mark Cheskin from Hogan & Hartson LLP Miami.



Jose Angulo, Florida Department of Revenue



From our Chambers

WE'VE CHANGED OUR NAME!!!



Effective January 1st, 2010, we changed our name from the British American Chamber of Commerce (BACC) to the British American Business Council, Miami (BABC Miami).

In 2008, our Miami based Chamber joined the British American Business Council (BABC), a combined British and American umbrella organization with 23 Chapters in the US and UK, and over 3,000 member companies, including many of the world's largest multinationals, based in major business centers throughout North America and the United Kingdom – the largest transatlantic business network. Over the past 5 years, our Chamber has placed increased emphasis on 'business' events and activities as we continually seek ways to increase the value for our members.

By joining the BABC, our members have the opportunity to extend their business network, and connect directly with the members of the 35 Chapters throughout the US and UK. Our members also have access to a substantially increased pool of member-to-member business benefits offered to all BABC members, and the opportunity to take part in local events run by member Chapters, and the BABC's Annual Transatlantic Business Conferences and Workshops - and many other benefits.

In support of this move, we felt it appropriate to change our name to reflect our membership of the British American Business Council and our focus on business activities. Meanwhile we will continue to think local and hold business and social events in an enjoyable atmosphere. Please be assured that we are still the same organization with the same mission and objectives – this merely represents a name change only!

Port of Miami's Container Terminal conceded by a French Joint Venture Company



Led by its founder Jacques R. Saadé, CMA CGM is currently the world's third largest container shipping company and is ranked number one in France.

Operating a fleet of 360 vessels, including 90 company-owned, the Group serves over 400 ports around the world.

On July 1st 2008, CMA CGM Group obtained, via its subsidiary Terminal Link Miami LLC, the unanimous approval of the Port of Miami to operate a Container Terminal through a Joint Venture Company – South Florida Container Terminal (SFCT) – founded with APM Terminals North America, part of AP Moller Maersk Group. The terminal, operated by SFCT in which Terminal Link holds a 51% stake and APMT 49%, was previously conceded by Maersk Line before its concession was terminated. SFCT has been granted by the Port of Miami a 15-year operating concession [renewable for two five-year periods] for the 72-acre site and has been authorised to operate as a Common User Terminal, offering services to all shipping lines. The terminal offers a 5000-foot quay, including 2,000-foot for priority use by SFCT, 8 gantry cranes (of which 4 are allocated for priority use by the venture), and a 40-foot draft to be deepened to 50-foot by 2015. This joint venture offered the right foundation for continued growth of the Port of Miami, opening the port to CMA CGM's services and third-party competition. This alliance has been a success: from the first month of operation by Terminal Link, the terminal has been profitable.

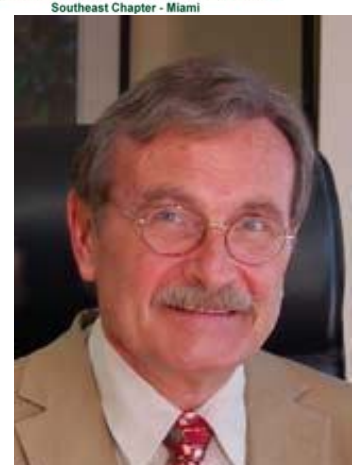
Today, CMA CGM volume represents 25% of the terminal. SFCT offers to all customers calling at the terminal a full range of services and good productivity achieving 30 movements per hour and per crane. Terminal Link has become a global container operator with interests in 30 containers terminal worldwide. SFCT is the third North-American terminal of Terminal Link portfolio. Terminal Link's core business is to provide to all shipping lines calling at its terminals the utmost quality of handling services for terminal operation, and to optimise the integration of its terminals into a global logistic chain.



GABC Miami honors Klaus Ranner, Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany with the German American Award of Excellence



Every year the German American Business Chamber in Miami honors a person for outstanding achievements in the community and beyond with the Distinguished German American Award of Excellence. This year's award will be presented to the honorable Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany Klaus Ranner who has been an extraordinary supporter not only of the GABC but also of other German American organizations in the State of Florida since he arrived in Miami 3 years ago. We regret that his term will be come to an end this Summer when he leaves Miami for his next station. With the support and constant presence of Klaus Ranner many positive changes have taken place as one of his main interests was to support the economic development and growth of German business in Florida. The reception will take place on June 8th, 2010 at 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm at Northern Trust Bank in Brickell. Tickets may be reserved at Miami@gabc.us



Klaus Ranner,
Consul General of the
Federal Republic of Germany

FORTH ANNUAL ITALIAN COOKING SHOW: CALLING ALL CULINARY LOVERS!



Italy-America Chamber of Commerce Southeast, Inc.

The journey through Italy's countless marvels can begin with one of its most revealing treasures: cuisine. To encourage the use of real, authentic and genuine "Made in Italy" products, the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce is committed to supporting local educational events geared towards general consumers and food-service operators about the presence of notably inferior products often misleadingly promoted as Italian - in the U.S. market. By popular demand for the fourth consecutive year, the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce will propose an increasingly popular initiative known as the Italian Cooking Show, a 4-series cooking class with a closing Grand Finale event. With Italy's regional cuisines as the focus, each event will pit two top chefs from renowned local Italian restaurants against each other in a culinary battle before an attentive audience eager to learn the various cooking methods used in preparing some of Italy's most distinctive dishes. Paring wines will also be served to complement the savory and enticing food prepared, making it possible to the audience to relish this entire experience to its full extent. The event will take place once a month, at the stylish showroom of MiaCucina in Coral Gables on the following dates: May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19 and with the Grand Finale on September 16. With a maximum audience of 45 people, each class will run from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. A reception will immediately follow the cooking demonstration until 9:30 pm. The reception will be open to the entire community of Italian food lovers. With the idea of celebrating authentic Italian ingredients and food & beverage products, the reception will propose the true spirit of an Italian Food and Wine Festival.



Join us on MAY 20, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM, for the first instalment of the Italian Cooking Show IV series, featuring: TIRAMESU Restaurant, Chef Luca Taretto, with the regional cuisine of VENETO SARDINIA Restaurant, Chef Pietro Vardeu, with the regional cuisine of SARDINIA Location: Mia Cucina, 105 Miracle Mile – Coral Gables, FL 33134 After the show, enjoy our traditional ITALIAN FOOD and WINE TASTING until 9:30 PM Costs: Cooking Class: \$45 general admission - \$30 IACC Members Italian Food and wine Festival: \$10 general admission - Free for IACC Members Registration and payment by May 19, 2010

For further information please contact the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce Southeast @ 305-577-9868 or tanti@iacc-miami.com.

IESE and The Paley Center for Media Form Educational Alliance



Assoc. Dean and Director of IESE USA Eric Weber and Christy Carpenter, Exec. Vice President and COO of The Paley Center for Media recently met at The Paley Center in New York City to sign an agreement to jointly offer the Advanced Management Program in Media and Entertainment (Media AMP) which is positioned to be a "must have" industry credential among aspiring media and entertainment leaders. The Paley Center for Media is a renowned global thought leader on the cultural, creative, and social significance of television, radio, and emerging platforms for the professional community and media-interested public.



Officially called the IESE Business School-Paley Center Advanced Management Program (AMP) in Media and Entertainment - or the Media AMP for short - this "transformative" management program is designed to create a cadre of dynamic leaders, equipping them with the business skills to shape the future of media and entertainment.

"We are thrilled to partner with The Paley Center for Media. They occupy a rare position of leadership in the media and entertainment industry and are well-attuned to the business education needs within the industry. Given their expertise and prestige, it's a fabulous alliance," says Prof. Weber.

"The program we have put together is carefully designed to meet the demanding business education needs of executives in today's highly competitive and rapidly changing media and entertainment industry," said the Media AMP's Academic Director, IESE's Mike Rosenberg.

The first program of its kind, the Media AMP is a global program designed to fill an executive education void in the media and entertainment industry. Typically, media and entertainment firms have tended to fill their C-suite (CEO, COO, CFO, CMO, etc.) and leadership positions with talent from within their own ranks and industry. It is common to find top performing managers getting promoted to leadership positions without the benefit of formal business education. The Media AMP will bring media and entertainment executives up-to-speed on new business models, cutting-edge management techniques, industry trends, and technologies. This postgraduate level program will augment their existing business skills.

Both IESE and The Paley Center plan to make the program the 'gold standard' of executive education in the media and entertainment industry. The Media AMP will benefit companies by helping them address succession planning. Individuals will benefit by learning to think like CEOs and enabling them to advance in their careers.

May 2010 CALENDAR

Joint European Chamber Events

Business Seminar Series: Labor Laws in Florida - "Why do bad lawsuits happen to good people"

Guest Speaker: Mark Cheskin (Hogan&Hartson LLP Miami)

Date & Time: May 5, 2010 |5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Location: Marriott Courtyard Miami Downtown

Members: Free

Non Members: \$20

RSVP: Please contact your respective Chamber.

European Cocktail Reception

Date & Time: May 12, 2010 |7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Location: The Raleigh Hotel, Miami Beach

Members: Free

Non Members: \$20

RSVP: Please contact your respective Chamber.

Complimentary welcome drink and appetizers

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