

**Concession model, an efficient tool to foster growth across Europe:
how to build a level playing field to attract private investors**

Brussels, 30th of March 2015, 10.30 – 16.30

At the European Economic and Social Committee

Van Maerlant building, 2, rue Van Maerlant, 1040 Brussels

INTRODUCTION

ASECAP organizes a high level event to present the results of the study commissioned to Price WaterHouseCoopers concerning the concession Model and how it has been implemented and applied across Europe. This important study underlined that the Concession Model represents the most flexible tool for spurring economic growth and support businesses across Europe particularly in a time of economic crisis. This Conference will provide the unique opportunity to gather all the major stakeholders, the European Commission and European Parliament, financial actors and private stakeholders, enabling them to exchange their views and knowledge on how to ensure an effective, smooth and timely implementation of the new European Directive on the award of concession contracts.

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

10:00 - 10:30 REGISTRATION AND WELCOMING COFFEE

Moderator: Jacki Davis

10:30 - 11:15 INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

- ⊗ Stéphane BUFFETAUT, President of the EESC TEN section, European Economic and Social Committee
- ⊗ Jean MESQUI, ASECAP Immediate Past President
- ⊗ Pierre DELSAUX, Deputy Director-General of DG Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs

11:15 - 13:15 1° SESSION: The role of concessions in the future European road transport policy

Part 1: Concession in Europe: state of the art and perspectives

- ⊗ C. BOUTIN (ASFA) & P. GUGLIELMINETTI (PWC), ASECAP study on concessions
- ⊗ Banco Santander Representative

Part 2: Policy maker perspectives and ideas

Interactive Debate with panelists:

- ⊗ O. ONIDI, Director of the European Mobility Network, DG MOVE – European Commission
- ⊗ J. SZYCHOWSKA, Head of the Public Procurement Legislation I Unit, DG MARKT – European Commission
- ⊗ K. DIONELIS, Secretary General of ASECAP

13:15 - 14:15 LUNCH

14:15 – 16:30 2° SESSION: Building trust for funding growth in EU: Member States' cases

- ⊗ Italy – F. PALENZONA, AISCAT President
- ⊗ France – J.MESQUI, ASFA Executive Director
- ⊗ Spain – J. NUNEZ, SEOPAN President
- ⊗ Portugal – J. BRAGA, APCAP President
- ⊗ Austria – K. SCHIERHACKL, ASFINAG CEO

The key financial instruments to implement the TEN-T Core Network across Europe

Interactive Debate with panelists:

- ⊗ D. RIQUET, Member of the European Parliament
- ⊗ G. CHETRIT, Principal Adviser of EPEC, European Investment Bank

16:30 CLOSING REMARKS

- ⊗ Massimo SCHINTU– On behalf of the ASECAP President