

### **EUROPEAN CONFERENCE**

***“Effectiveness of information and consultation rights of employees and their evolutions. An action model for EWCs before the challenges of change”, 20<sup>th</sup> April 2007.***

*ETUH - Bld du Roi Albert II, 5  
1210 Brussels, Belgium*

8.30am	Registration of participants
9.00am	Opening and project presentation by the Conference Chair (Claudio Stanzani, SDA)
9.15am	Trade Union objectives concerning the enhancement of information and consultation rights (Walter Cerfeda, ETUC)
9.30am	Introduction to the case study analyses (Alexandre Martin, SDA) Presentation RWE Energy (Uwe Tigges, Chairman RWE EWC) Presentation Dim Branded Apparel (Alain Germain, Chairman DBA EWC) Presentation Inbev (Aimé Vanoost, Chairman Inbev EWC)
10.30am	Floor open to the delegates (Moderator: Norbert Kluge, ETUI-REHS)
11.30am	Evidences for the revision of the EWC directive (Jean-Claude LeDouaron, ETUI-REHS)
11.45am	Participation of representatives from new Member States in EWCs (Jozef Maurer, OSD, Czech Republic)
12 pm	Floor open to the delegates (Moderator: Marco Cilento, ETUC)
1 pm	Lunch
2.30pm	Round Table “Improvement of information and consultation rights: revision of the EWC Directive” Chair: Brian Bercusson (Kings College, London – tbc) Participants: Reiner Hoffmann (ETUC), Jeanne Schmitt (BusinessEurope), Edgardo Iozia (Ecosoc), Stephen Hughes (MEP – tbc)
3.30 pm	Debate
4 pm	Round Table “A trade union strategy for EWCs” Chair: Walter Cerfeda Invited: European Industry Federations
4.50 pm	Sum-up of the key issues raised in the Round Tables (Reiner Hoffman, ETUC)
5 pm	Closing statement (Vladimir Spidla, European Commission)
5.30 pm	Conclusions (John Monks, ETUC)

