

## **EES Facts and Figures**

# Preconditions for the appointment of Senators of the European Economic Senate:

The EES is open for outstanding personalities from the business world that identify with the EES statements and principles.

- Number of Members is limited to 300 members.
- Only one member per branch of industry is permitted.
- Beyond their meetings, our members will always find time to lend an ear to their senator colleagues and take their concerns seriously.

### Country Representations of the EES:

Andorra, Azerbaijan, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, France, Georgia, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Slovakia, Switzerland, Ukraine and USA.

Honorary Members of the European Economic Senate (extract):

- Jean-Claude Juncker
- Dr. Jaques Santer
- Dr. h.c. mult. Karl Otto Pöhl (†)
- Roland Koch
- Prof. Dr. Rocco Buttiglione
- Prof. Dr. Paul Kirchhof
- Dr. Helmut O. Maucher

### Board of the EES:

- Dr. Ingo Friedrich, President
- (Vice-President of the European Parliament, ret.)
- Ivan Carnogursky, Vice-President (former President of the Parliament of Slovakia)
- Malte Berlin, Vice-President (attorney-at-law)
- Prof. Dr. Bernhard Friedmann, Honorary President (President of the European Court of Auditors "ret.")

#### Supervisory Board of the EES:

- Rolf von Hohenhau (Chairman)
- Hans Podiuk (Deputy-Chairman)
- Mahi Degenring
- 🗯 Thomas Kroder
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A Committee of Responsible-Minded Personalities

# The European Economic Senate

- Economic interests in good hands
- Access to European policy
- Recognized decision-makers from companies

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# "Our fate is not the policy, but rather the economy."

Walther Rathenau (1867-1922), German industrialist and politician

Welcome to a community that stands for economic responsibility and provides a platform for the interests of European entrepreneurs. Welcome to the European Economic Senate!



The European Economic Senate (EES) would like to introduce itself and provide an insight into its scope of work. As an institution for outstanding entrepreneurs and enter-

prise managers, it is a matter of great importance to the EES that its activities are presented in a transparent and reasonable manner.

The EES considers itself as platform for the external presentation of companies, a place for the exchange of opinions and experiences and a guidepost to the relevant political decision-makers in Europe. For our members' interests we activate our networks to top-class organisations, arbitrate between points of contact in the area of policy and administration and show the shortest and most successful strategies based on many years of experience so as to connect interests and suggestions with the appropriate addressees.

I would like to invite you to get into touch with the European Economic Senate, to support our work and to discuss urgent European economic issues with us.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ingo Friedrich

President of the European Economic Senate, Vice-President of the European Parliament ret. Munich, April 2015

### **Code of Honour**

of the EUROPEAN ECONOMIC SENATE (EES) – EUROPÄISCHER WIRTSCHAFTSSENAT e.V. (EWS)

I respect human dignity and individuality.
I advocate for decency, truth and justice.

- **3.** I stand for clear decisions and fairness.
- **4.** I strongly believe in the fact that engagement and responsibility regarding state and society are essential basics of my lifestyle.
- **5.** I resolve conflicts exclusively via fair communication.

#### My entrepreneurial principles

- 1. With my membership of the European Economic Senate I have the intention to strengthen the interests of entrepreneurs, enterprises and their employees.
- I promote Social Market Economy, advocate for a positive image of entrepreneurs and I am ready to actively represent these principles in the general public.
- **3.** I always act according to ethical principles as well as the principles of a "Respectable Businessman".
- **4.** I am always mindful that my entrepreneurial activities are equally oriented towards employees, customers and the achievement of positive results, including by taking into account the aspect of sustainable economic management.
- I attach great importance to the improvement of competences and have an open mind in terms of exchange of experiences, cooperation and networking in this context.

# NOTHING IS MORE POWERFUL THAN AN IDEA WHOSE TIME HAS COME.

# "Europe is a club of fundamental values"

Angela Merkel, German Chancellor

### Activities of the European Economic Senate

- The EES regularly contributes the knowledge and experience of its members into the policymaking process of individual European countries and EU institutions.
- The EES advocates for the principles of the Social Market Economy.
- The EES promotes a culture of responsibility and trust and, in this context, strict compliance with the principles of a "Respectable Businessman".
- The EES has regular meetings with leading representatives from the world of policy and economy for the purpose of an intensive exchange of opinions.

A selection of the discussion partners at the Economic Talks of the EES:

- Jean-Claude Juncker, President of the European Commission
- Mario Monti, former Prime Minister of Italy
- Günther Oettinger, EU Commissioner (Digital Economy & Society)

- Werner Hoyer, President European Investment Bank (EIB)
- Friedrich Merz, former party leader of the CDU party in the German Parliament
- Prof. Dr. Paul Kirchhof, President Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, Judge of the German Constitutional Court ret.
- Jörg Asmussen, State Secretary Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Director European Central Bank ret.
- Dr. Joachim Nagel, Member of the Board of the Deutsche Bundesbank

### Advantages for EES members / European Economic Senators:

Insight into exclusive facts and background information regarding political and economic processes.

Direct, unobtrusive access to political decisionmakers and representatives on a par.

Exchange and interlinking of highly interesting entrepreneurial personalities.

Access to a network of associated and cooperating organisations, such as the Taxpayers Association of Europe or the European Journalists Association.