

## INVITATION

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# WORKERS'-VOICE BREAKFAST: HOW TO ORGANISE THE FUTURE OF WORK IN CIRCUMSTANCES OF A MULTITUDE OF CHALLENGES



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Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

The Hans Böckler Foundation kindly invites you to its next Workers'-Voice- Breakfast on

### Thursday, 27.02.2025, 08:30 h to 10:00 h

at Otone European Affairs Brussels, Square Ambiorix 44, 1000 Brussels, with Matthias Krebs, chairman of the Europaforum at Evonik Industries AG.

Companies face major challenges like global competition, new regulatory requirements and new technology at the same time. An additional one to this is how to organise the future of work alongside of changing value chains also in the European single market. Attracting enough workers for all kinds of jobs becomes increasingly difficult. Shift work as practiced in companies such as Evonik can be especially stressful, due to night shifts making it even harder to find qualified staff. So labour shortage is one of the most difficult challenge transnational companies do face. European Works Councils have an important role to play here!

Next to cost-cutting debates in the chemical sector it is even more important to work on sustainable plans for the future of different company sites and plants. Integrating the interests of different stakeholders, such as workers, is an essential element of this process. A sustainable prospect for business locations is a key prerequisite to attract qualified employees.

Which role does Workers' Voice and a European Works Council play in improving working conditions and shift work conditions? How can workers' representatives initiate debates on the prospects of different company plants?

We're happy that Matthias Krebs, Chairman of the Europaforum of Evonik Industries AG, will give us a short presentation about these questions and the contribution of Workers' Voice to tackle these challenges. Afterwards there will be time for discussion and exchange.

We would be glad if you could join us for this debate on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 8:30 o'clock. Coffee and croissants will be served. Please let us know by 25<sup>th</sup> of February 2025 if you are planning to attend.

Please note that the debate will be held in the German language.

Best regards,

Maxi Leuchters

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of Hans Böckler Foundation

# INFORMATION

Date 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024

08.30 h - 10.00 h

Place Otone European Affairs Brussels (very close to

RP Schuman), Square Ambiorix 44, 1000 Brussels

**Program** Presentation will be held in German by:

Matthias Krebs, Chairman of the Europaforum

at Evonik Industries AG

Discussion moderated by:

Maxi Leuchters, Head of unit Company Law and

Corporate Governance, I.M.U.

**About** An event of the Hans Böckler Foundation aimed at propa-

gating best practice in corporate governance by bringing together experienced workers' representatives and experts

in political institutions in Brussel.

**Registration** To register please reply to this online invitation by mail to

<u>anja-winterwerb@boeckler.de</u> by 25.02.2025 at the latest. A confirmation to participate will be sent before the event.

**Further** 

**Information** <a href="https://www.imu-boeckler.de/en/index.htm">https://www.imu-boeckler.de/en/index.htm</a>

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