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ELUPEG celebrates its 5th Anniversary with outstanding meeting in Vienna



On the 8th and 9th July LKW Walter hosted an excellent and enjoyable **ELUPEG** event. The LKW tour on the afternoon of the 8th was the perfect mix of the best of LKW's operation and the best of the beautiful city of **Vienna**.



As always the Networking Dinner was busy, boisterous and fun—helped along no doubt by having our very own brewery right next to our tables!

In the comfort of the Lindner Hotel our ELUPEG meeting opened with some words from our Chairman, Alan Waller

We were very pleased to have, at least, 3 very influential individuals taking part

Alfonz Antoni
Chair
European Logistics Association



Steve Agg
CEO
Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport



John Berry
Director General for Transport and Energy
DG TREN



The morning was a packed agenda – some highlights are ...

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AUTOMOTIVE

Brian Bolam gave an overview of the excellent work done to date in exploring the collaborative opportunities in the Finished Car Distribution Network

Unfortunately and surprisingly there is not an overwhelming appetite from the major OEMs to move quickly with this project

But the ground work is all done and any Car Manufacturer who is interested; please contact Brian Bolam

Steve Harley Director of Material Planning and Logistics presented Ford's recent manufacturing developments and in particular how Ford is looking to the east (particularly Russia) for both manufacturing capacity and new markets

CARBON WORKSHOPS

There had been highly successful events hosted by ELUPEG and Peter Klein of Carbon View – the sector based Carbon Footprinting methodology was at the cutting edge and gave participants a 'real time' understanding of their carbon position

HIGH-TECH

The High-Tech Collaborative Working Group was one of the very first to form. Therefore it was very satisfying for ELUPEG to see that the progress made on the issue of Product Security had reached such an importance that Rein de Vries works full-time at Samsung to introduce methods and collaborative working to counter-act serious crime.

Reis has a long and distinguished career in the Dutch Police and is making a big difference already in bringing all parties together so that they can collaboratively defeat criminal attacks

FMCG CONSOLIDATION CENTRE

Dawn Yearwood, European Logistics Director, Reckitt Benckiser told us the success story of HECORE in France – being the shared distribution centre of Henkel-Colgate-Reckitt Benckiser

The first 'contract period' is coming to an end and Dawn explained the huge benefits achieved by all companies.

The 'system' put in place was seen as so robust that Dawn could not see issues on re-negotiation even should one of the parties want to stop participating.

There are apparently many potential other collaborative partners waiting in the wings.

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

John Berry gave a very interesting account of the Logistics Action Plan of the European Commission. This consists of a number of areas that the Commission is concentrating its efforts upon.

- E-Freight and Intelligent Transport Systems
- Sustainable Quality and Efficiency
- Simplification of Transport Chains
- "Green" Freight Transport Corridors
- Urban Freight Logistics
- Vehicle Dimension and Loading Standards

Particularly John is responsible for the work in connection with optimum vehicle sizing which may surprisingly show a benefit in increasing vehicle size, such as 45 foot containers, so much so that there may even be a case to put more traffic on the roads!

We will bring you updates on these critical EU views.

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COLLABORATIVE WORKING GROUPS ("CWGs")



As we have come to expect, the quality of the debate in the CWGs was very high

AUTOMOTIVE

Jordi Jove of LKW Walter led the Automotive discussion on the effects of a move East on the Supply Chain.

The possible shift to dual use trailers was discussed – components one way and finished vehicles the other.

ACTION – to review the concept for use in Eastern Europe
Are there planned changes to the Supply Chain to mitigate the impact of the oil-prices?

ACTION – Michael Schmitz of Continental will lead the investigation of opportunities
There are concerns for LSP's coverage in the 'new markets'

ACTION – Jordi Jove of LKW Walter will lead a team of LSPs

HI-TECH

Led by John D'Aguiar, there was a strong 'call to arms' that all the 'victims' of crime in this sector must work together to effect change

ACTION – John D'Aguiar to keep working on his 'security issues' through **ELUPEG**

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FMCG

The debate on the changing markets and the potential for the effect in certain sectors was seen as a great threat to the FMCG sector

ACTION – continue to analyse the effects of changes and how these can be ameliorated by the flexibility of the Supply Chain.

LSPs

Steve Agg led the debate on the extent and ways in which the LSPs still needed to change the way they operate and that a substantial need to invest was a priority but so too was making sure that the infrastructure within which the LSPs operate was fair and balanced.

Don't Miss



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Next Meeting

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PD Ports in Middlesbrough from 3pm on the 29th October with a tour of the very new developments that will make Teesport a true alternative to Felixstowe

Followed by a Networking Dinner at Dinner at a local restaurant

And our usual exciting day on the 30th October – please look at our website for the full Agenda www.elupeg.com

The ELUPEG Board look forward to seeing you there.

Alan Waller
Chairman



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