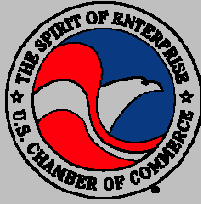


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## U.S. Chamber Highlights

- On March 14, the U.S. Chamber held its first annual, [Capital Markets Summit: Securing America's Competitiveness](#). The U.S. Chamber's Capital Markets Commission on the Regulation of U.S. Capital Markets in the 21st Century released its report and recommendations. Visit [www.capitalmarketscommission.com](http://www.capitalmarketscommission.com) where you can watch a webcast of the Summit and download the report and recommendations.

At the Summit, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce launched the Center for Capital Markets Competitiveness (CCMC), an initiative dedicated to making U.S. capital markets the most fair, efficient, transparent, and attractive in the world.

- March 27-28, the U.S. Chamber and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade will hold a [Global Summit on Strategies for Promoting Innovation, Protecting IT, and Fostering Wealth Creation](#) in Beijing, China.
- On April 4, the U.S. Chamber will hold [Aviation 2007: Ready for Takeoff](#). This year's event will discuss the economic importance of America's aviation system, aviation security, and possible solutions to the capacity crisis we are facing.
- On April 5, the U.S. Chamber in cooperation with the Council on Foreign Relations will host a [Hedge Fund Business Forum](#), featuring [Sebastian Mallaby](#), Director, Maurice R. Greenberg Center for Geoeconomic Studies, Council on Foreign Relations.
- The U.S. Chamber's National Chamber Foundation will host the [CEO, Siemens AG, Klaus Kleinfeld](#) on April 18 and the [Chairman and CEO, The Coca-Cola Company, E. Neville Isdell](#) on April 24 as part of its CEO Leadership Series.
- On April 23, the Chamber's Policy Advisor for Europe & Eurasia, Kristal Alley, will speak on [Trade Facilitation and Capacity Building for Trade Liberalization](#) at a United Nations Development Program (UNDP) regional meeting in Sofia, Bulgaria.

## **American Chambers of Commerce Events & Activities**

*There are 42 American Chambers of Commerce (AmChams) in Europe and Eurasia,  
which are affiliated with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce*

*For further details on news and events go to each respective AmCham homepage*

### **Azerbaijan**

- The American Chamber of Commerce in Azerbaijan (AmCham Azerbaijan) has elected [Azerbaijani Managing Director of McDonalds, Magsud Mirzoyev](#), as President of AmCham Azerbaijan. He will be joined on the Board by newly elected [Daniel Houser](#) ( President of McDermott Caspian Contractors), [Bruce Luberski](#) (Vice President Azeri Chirag Guneshli, BP Azerbaijan), [Ilgar Veliyev](#) (Managing Director, Ernst&Young), re-elected Member [Stanley Escudero](#) (President, Shield Bearer Ltd), and existing Board Members [Daniel Matthews](#) (Managing Partner, Baker&McKenzie), [Faig Huseynov](#) (Chairman of the Board, Unibank), [Alum Bati](#) (Partner, Wicklow Corporate Services) and Ex-Officio Member [Jason Hyland](#) (Deputy Chief of Mission of U.S. Embassy in Baku).

### **Belgium**

- On April 3, the American Chamber of Commerce in Belgium (AmCham Belgium) is hosting their sixth luncheon in the [Driven by Innovation](#) series. Shane Fleming, President of Cytec and Martin Court, VP-Research and Development will be talking on the [Tools and Resources Needed to Support Innovation](#).
- On April 19, AmCham Belgium will hold a Joint Conference with Rotary International on [Expats in Brussels, with Brussels Finance Minister Guy Vanhengel](#). This event includes welcome speeches from, amongst others, Prof. Alain Verbeke, President of the Rotary Club in Brussels and main addresses will be made by Brussels Finance Minister Guy Vanhengel and Michael Deboeck, Chief HR Manager of Fortis Group and Noel Condon, General Manager of AIG Europe. A panel discussion will follow.
- On April 26, AmCham Belgium is organizing a [Facility Visit and Conference with IMD Alumni](#), sponsored by [GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals](#). Speakers at this high profile event will include, Jean-Jaques Follebouckt, Site Manager, Pascal Lizin, Director of External and Public Affairs at GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals and two experts, from GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals and IMD, discussing supply chain management.
- On May 8, AmCham Belgium invites all Patron members to a [CEO Breakfast Roundtable](#) to pre-release the results of the [U.S. Direct Investment and Innovation Survey](#). This event is sponsored and hosted by ING. The following day, there will be a seminar to discuss the results of the survey.
- On June 7, AmCham Belgium is hosting [Ambassador Frans Van Daele, Permanent Representative of Belgium to NATO](#) to come and share his experiences from the variety of high powered positions he has held. More recently, these positions have included, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Belgium to the European Union and Belgium's Ambassador to the United States.

## **Croatia**

- On March 28, the American Chamber of Commerce in Croatia (AmCham Croatia) is supporting a seminar on [Venture Philanthropy & Social Entrepreneurship: The Quest for 'Social Return' on Investment](#), as part of the Croatian Self-Financing and Social Enterprise Conference 2007. AmCham Croatia is helping with this event in partnership with the Nonprofit Enterprise and Self-sustainability Team (NESsT) and the Academy for Educational Development (AED).
- On March 30, AmCham Croatia is participating in an [open information evening for Webster University](#) of Vienna, Austria. Webster University offers a wide range of academic programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels.
- On April 20, AmCham Croatia will have their [Night of a Thousand Dinners 2007](#), - a fundraising campaign regarding de-mining. The City of Zagreb (Gradsko Poglavarstvo grada Zagreb) - Mayor Milan Bandić, is one of AmCham Croatia's 2007 dinner event Patrons.
- A series of AmCham supported events scheduled to take place in May: Brijuni International Golf Cup; Brijuni International Golf Conference; and The Third Annual International Conference on the Real estate market in Croatia 2007. To learn more about the events go to [www.filipovic-advisory.com](http://www.filipovic-advisory.com).
- May 18-19, AmCham Croatia will host a conference, [SME's in Croatia: How to Survive and Grow](#).

## **Denmark**

- On April 13, the American Chamber of Commerce in Denmark's (AmCham Denmark) OSAC Denmark Country Council will hold a seminar entitled [Security and Safety Awareness 2007](#). The event will be hosted by Nykredit.
- May 15-16, AmCham Denmark and the U.S. Embassy present [Nordic-U.S. Defense and Security Industries Showcase](#), which will bring together representatives from the United States, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish, and Finnish defence and security industries, as well as government, academic, and venture capital company representatives from each country to explore business and investment opportunities.

## **European Union (EU)**

- In view of the upcoming French elections, the American Chamber of Commerce to the EU (AmCham EU) organized a [luncheon with Jacques Creyssel, Director General, MEDEF](#) (French Employer's Union) to discuss the influence the outcome of the elections will have on companies doing business in Europe.
- On April 17, AmCham EU will host [European Parliament President Hans-Gert Pöttering](#) at their plenary meeting on the European Parliament's priorities.
- April 23-26, a delegation of AmCham EU members will hold [meetings in Washington, DC with key U.S. officials](#).

### **Finland**

- On March 22, the American Chamber of Commerce in Finland (AmCham Finland) celebrated the [2007 Annual General Meeting \(AGM\)](#). [President of Finland, Tarja Halonen](#), was the keynote speaker at the dinner banquet.
- On April 17, AmCham Finland members will gather at a [Power Business Breakfast on Corporate Branding](#).
- On April 26, AmCham Finland member companies' rising stars will gather at AmCham Finland's [Young Professionals Mixer](#).

### **Greece**

- On April 24, the American Chamber of Commerce in Greece (AmCham Greece) will lead a [Trade Mission to Cairo, Egypt](#) in cooperation with the American Chamber of Commerce in Egypt.

### **Hungary**

- On March 28, the American Chamber of Commerce in Hungary (AmCham Hungary) will hold a [Special Business Breakfast with Deborah Platt Majoras](#), Chairman of the U.S. Federal Trade Commission.
- On March 29, AmCham Hungary will hold a [Business Forum with Attila Szalay-Berzeviczy](#), Chairman of the Budapest Stock Exchange and President of the Budapest Olympics Civil Movement.
- On April 13, AmCham Hungary will hold a workshop in its [AmCham – CEU Academy: Dialogues in Leadership Series](#).

### **Kosovo**

- On March 28, the American Chamber of Commerce in Kosovo (AmCham Kosovo), in cooperation with the United States Office in Pristina, is organizing a trade delegation to participate at the [International Franchise Expo](#), which will take place in Washington D.C.

### **Luxembourg**

- On March 23, the American Chamber of Commerce in Luxembourg (AmCham Luxembourg) and the British Chamber of Commerce for Luxembourg held a joint [luncheon with guest speaker, Emile Haag, Lycée Athénée](#), who discussed plans for an English-language International Baccalaureate.
- On April 2, 2007 AmCham Luxembourg and ABAL will hold a [luncheon with special guest speaker, Lucien Thiel, Member of Parliament: How to be Small and Remain Strong](#).
- On April 19, 2007, the Confederation Luxembourgeoise du Commerce (CLC) cordially invites all members of AmCham Luxembourg to attend their quarterly networking event on [E-Commerce and the Last Mile Problem](#).

### **The Netherlands**

- On March 28, the American Chamber of Commerce in the Netherlands (AmCham Netherlands) will hold an [AmCham Dinner with speaker, Nancy McKinstry, Chairman of the Executive Board, Wolters Kluwer, N.V.](#)
- On April 17, AmCham Netherlands will host an [American Friendship Event](#) in cooperation with the [John Adams Institute](#). Speaker, [Antoine van Agtmael, author of \*The Emerging Markets Century\*](#), will participate.
- On May 23, AmCham Netherlands will have their [AGM & Chamber Luncheon](#).
- This spring and summer, AmCham Netherlands will hold a [Get Acquainted Cocktail Schiphol Group](#) event (June), the [10<sup>th</sup> Annual Transfer Pricing Seminar](#) in cooperation with Deloitte (June 14), and the annual [AmCham Golf Tournament](#) (August 31).

### **Norway**

- On March 27, the American Chamber of Commerce in Norway (AmCham Norway), in cooperation with member companies, Eli Lilly, Pfizer, MSD, Janssen-Cilag, and Wyeth welcome members and guests to the SAS Radisson Scandinavia in Oslo for its [Annual General Meeting \(AGM\) and dinner](#).
- On April 16, AmCham Norway together with the U.S. Commercial Service and member company, Holland & Knight, welcome special guests to a [reception at the American Embassy in Oslo](#).
- On May 3, AmCham Norway welcomes members and special guests to a [Business After-Hours gathering](#).

### **Poland**

- On March 28, the American Chamber of Commerce in Poland (AmCham Poland) Environmental Committee will meet with [Dr. Margo Thorning, Managing Director of the International Council for Capital Formation](#). They will discuss [Climate Change: Advancing Clean Development and Energy through Partnership and How Democratic Control of the House and Senate Will Affect the U.S. Approach to Climate Change Policy](#).

### **Ukraine**

- On March 27, the American Chamber of Commerce in Ukraine (AmCham Ukraine) will hold the AmCham's [HR Committee Meeting](#).
- On April 2, AmCham Ukraine will hold an [AmCham Telecom Committee Meeting](#).
- On April 4, AmCham Ukraine will hold an [AmCham Toastmasters Committee Meeting](#).
- On April 5, AmCham Ukraine will celebrate its [15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of operations](#) in Ukraine.
- On April 11, AmCham Ukraine will hold an [AmCham Toastmasters Committee Meeting](#).

- On April 18, AmCham Ukraine will hold a Seminar on [State-of-the-Art Software Development Process – New Era in Manufacturing](#).
- On April 23, AmCham Ukraine will hold an AmCham [Banking and Financial Services Committee Meeting](#).
- On April 27, AmCham Ukraine will hold an AmCham [HR Committee Meeting and Healthcare Committee Meeting](#).

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