



Reporting of NFI by SMEs: Pursuit of Fair and Sustainable Development

19 February 2019, 14:00

Presentation and Panel Discussion
Press Club Brussels Europe, Rue Froissart 95 - 1040 Brussels

14:00 REGISTRATION

14:30 WELCOME

BODO RICHARDT - EFAA President

14:40 REPORTING OF NON-FINANCIAL INFORMATION BY SMEs

RICHARD MARTIN - ACCA
PAUL THOMPSON - EFAA Director

14:55 PANEL DISCUSSION

WOLF KLINZ - Member of the European Parliament
RICHARD HOWITT - CEO of the International Integrated Reporting Council [requested]
PHILIPPE LAMBERTS - Member of the European Parliament
ANDREAS SCHWAB - Member of the European Parliament [requested]
VERONIQUE WILLEMS - Secretary General SMEUnited

16:00 Q&A

16:20 CLOSING

BODO RICHARDT - EFAA President

ABOUT THE EVENT

The Report "Survey of Non-Financial Reporting Requirements for SMEs in Europe", co-authored by Richard Martin (ACCA) and Paul Thompson (EFAA Director) is the culmination of an EFAA project looking at the reporting of NFI by SMEs across 14 European countries. The report was published on 19 November and presented in Vienna on the same date. Policymakers and relevant stakeholders are invited to come and discuss the next steps. Are SMEs doing enough in the pursuit of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the fight against climate change? Should SMEs be encouraged, or even required, to report more on their environmental, social and governance (ESG) performance? If so, what NFI should they report and what framework should they use? How relevant and applicable is integrated thinking and reporting to SMEs?