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BUSINESS REACTION TO THE EUROPEAN ELECTIONS

THE CLEAR MAJORITY OF PRO-EUROPEAN FORCES IN THE NEW EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT IS A MANDATE TO WORK FOR A BETTER EUROPE

Reacting to the outcome of the European elections BUSINESSSEUROPE President Emma Marcegaglia said: *“The clear majority of pro-European forces achieved in the EP elections is a mandate and strong obligation to work together constructively for a better and more competitive Europe to create more growth and more jobs. This is the best way to address the concerns of those Europeans who voiced their disenchantment towards the European Union. It is also important to give credit to the majority of Europeans who expressed their support for a better Europe, an improved European Union. European companies strongly believe in the European Union. They want to invest in Europe, generate more growth and more jobs but they need a competitive business environment to be able to do so.”*

BUSINESSEUROPE Director General Markus J. Beyrer added: *“European business counts on the European Council and the European Parliament to cooperate positively in the establishment of a strong European Commission and to refocus the European agenda on improving competitiveness in order to give European citizens a brighter future. European decisions shape the daily lives of companies and citizens. They require as much attention as domestic issues from national policy-makers, too. In a global economy European countries must join forces. By 2050, none of the European member states are projected to be among the world’s largest economies. Therefore we only have the choice between succeeding together or becoming insignificant separately.”*

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