# NEWSLETTER



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#### **BHCC EVENTS AND INITIATIVES**

#### **PAST EVENTS / INITIATIVES**

16 February 2023 | Closed Roundtable Breakfast: "Hospitality/Tourism 2023: A Roadmap to Innovation & Sustainable Growth"



The British Hellenic Chamber of Commerce (BHCC) organized a Closed Roundtable Breakfast Discussion entitled: "Hospitality/Tourism 2023: A Roadmap to Innovation & Sustainable Growth", on Thursday, 16 February 2023 at the British Ambassador's Residence in Athens. The BHCC Presidents, Members of the Board of Directors, representatives of the British Embassy as well as of relevant institutional bodies and senior executives in the Hospitality and Tourism industry from Greece and the UK, exchanged views on how to further enhance the already strong ties between the UK and Greece in the Hospitality and Tourism sector and shared their valuable expertise and insights. In addition, the objective of the discussion was to brainstorm on the developments in the hospitality/tourism sector in Greece, identify opportunities for innovation and sustainable business growth, highlighting the benefits of a value driven approach.

This event was honored by **Sofia Zacharaki**, **Deputy Minister of Tourism**, who had a detailed, interesting and productive discussion with the rest of the participants.

#### **SUPPORTING EVENTS / INITIATIVES**

#### 21 April 2023 | Greek Exports Forum & Awards 2023 | ethosEVENTS

The British Hellenic Chamber of Commerce supports the upcoming Greek Exports Forum & Awards, organized for the 11th consecutive year, by the Union of Diplomatic Officers for Economic & Commercial Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in cooperation with ethosEVENTS, the financial and business portal banks.com.gr, and the financial and investment journal HRIMA.

For more information, please visit the following link: Greek Exports Forum & Awards 2023 | ethosEVENTS

#### **TRADE FAIRS**

Within 2023, the British Hellenic Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with Reco Exports, will participate in the following Trade Fairs organized in the UK.

## 16 – 17 April 2023 | Natural & Organic Products Europe, London, UK

Europe's Leading Sustainable Business Event. Making the world a better place to live sits at the heart of Natural & Organic Products Europe. Take your chance to meet the Fair's brands and exhibitors. To discover 1000s of their new products, meet 100s of international suppliers, network with your industry and hear the latest trends and research. Find more at <a href="https://www.naturalproducts.co.uk/">https://www.naturalproducts.co.uk/</a>

## 24 - 26 April 2023 | Food & Drink Expo, Birmingham, UK

Food & Drink Expo provides the number one route to the UK food and drink market and helps hundreds of companies showcase their exceptional products. Buyers and decision-makers across the whole industry, from grocery, wholesale and speciality retail to foodservice and manufacturing, are invited to uncover the hottest trends, latest product launches, and the industry's vision for the future. Find more at <a href="https://www.foodanddrinkexpo.co.uk/">https://www.foodanddrinkexpo.co.uk/</a>

## 15 – 17 May 2023 | London Wine Fair, London, UK

The most intelligent wine event in the world. The 40<sup>th</sup> edition of the London Wine Fair took place in June 2022 and over 9,000 members of the drinks trade joined the reunion either at Olympia London or on the digital platform, for an event which brought the industry back together after a period of incredible uncertainty. The London Wine Fair will be returning to Olympia on 15-17 May 2023. Find more at <a href="https://www.londonwinefair.com/">https://www.londonwinefair.com/</a>

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#### **BHCC MEMBERS' SECTION**

#### AXIES SA MEMBER OF CBRE AFFILIATE NETWORK | ANNIVERSARY ANNOUNCEMENT

**AXIES SA Member of CBRE Affiliate Network**, celebrated its 20th year anniversary along with the traditional Pitta Cutting of Atria Group on 10 February in Gazi area. Over 45 members of staff and company associates attended.



From left to right: Yannis Perrotis, CBRE GREECE Country Manager, Nassos Perrotis, ATRIA GROUP General Manager, Nikos Chatzitsolis, AXIES S.A. Managing Director

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# INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND AND WALES | EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW TO BHCC

## By Michael Izza | CEO



Mr Izza, please give us the highlights of the ICAEW's strategic vision for the years to come towards corporate sustainable growth and talent attraction, diversion and inclusivity in corporate Boards.

We believe the need for businesses and economies to grow sustainably is non-negotiable. The corporate world has a leadership role to play in ensuring that growth is achieved sustainably, working collaboratively with governments and the public sector – that's why our vision at ICAEW is that chartered accountants enable a world of sustainable economies, and why helping to achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals is one of the themes in our strategy for this decade.

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## **GREEK GOVERNMENT: MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

#### **20 February 2023**

Εμπορευματικές συναλλαγές Ελλάδας – Ηνωμένου Βασιλείου 2022

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#### 10 January 2023

Διεθνείς Εμπορικές Εκθέσεις στο Ηνωμένο Βασίλειο 2023

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### **16 December 2022**

Εγχειρίδιο της Ευρωπαϊκής Επιτροπής για την είσοδο στη βρετανική αγορά τροφίμων και ποτών

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#### WINDSOR FRAMEWORK: UPDATED NORTHERN IRELAND PROTOCOL BETWEEN EU-UK

## **27 February 2023**

A new way forward on the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland: political agreement in principle on the Windsor Framework



The European Commission and the Government of the United Kingdom reached a political agreement in principle on the Windsor Framework. This constitutes a comprehensive set of joint solutions aimed at

addressing, in a definitive way, the practical challenges faced by citizens and businesses in Northern Ireland, thereby providing them with lasting certainty and predictability.

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# UK GOVERNMENT AND BRITISH CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE (BCC) NEWS & UPDATES

### **UK GOVERNMENT NEWS & UPDATES**

#### 06 March 2023

## Horizon Europe Guarantee scheme extension to support UK R&D

The government has announced an extension to the support provided to UK Horizon Europe applicants until the end of June 2023.

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### **10 February 2023**

### Science, innovation and technology takes top seat at Cabinet table

Newly appointed Science, Innovation and Technology Secretary Michelle Donelan given dedicated seat at the Cabinet.

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#### **BRITISH CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE (BCC) NEWS & UPDATES**

### 02 March 2023

## Windsor Framework Q&A

Take a look at BCC's <u>initial response</u> when the proposed agreement on the Northern Ireland Protocol was announced.

Following the announcement, the BCC has put together a Q&A document, which looks at the new Windsor Framework in further detail.

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## **24 February 2023**

#### What lies ahead - challenges for UK trade in 2023

The challenges facing UK exporters in 2023 are significant and it will take a concerted effort by BCC's global network, working alongside the UK Government, to positively shift the dial.

In 2022, exports increased by 6.7%, once the effect of inflation was removed, but this is still less than the value of goods and services the UK sold overseas in 2018.

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### **23 February 2023**

#### **Growth Hub**

## The BCC launched a new hub with information and resources to support businesses in growing

The BCC works with Chambers, which are non-profit organisations, to drive economic change from the ground up. Our bottom line is helping companies, places and people across the UK achieve their potential.

This hub will continue to be updated over the coming weeks. Please share with your team and member businesses as relevant.

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## **16 February 2023**

#### **UK Export Finance has recently launched a new website.**

Exporting can be a crucial part of any company's growth strategy, but one of the biggest obstacles can simply be not knowing or understanding what export finance options are available.

UK Export Finance updated website makes it easier for UK businesses and international buyers to understand the work of UK Export Finance and the support available.

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## **10 February 2023**

**Challenging Year for Trade During 2022** 

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### **TRADE UPDATES**

## 02 March 2023

- The EU's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism <u>regulation</u> will be in force by the autumn.
- See the <u>latest decisions</u> from the Department for Business and Trade on anti-dumping duties applicable to imported rebar steel products from China.
- The Department for Business and Trade has launched a new <u>Help to Grow website</u>, including guidance for export-facing companies.

#### **16 February 2023**

• The latest <u>UK trade data for December 2022</u> was released together with the complete picture for Q4 2022 and last year as a whole. Read BCC's response and analysis <u>here</u>.



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

## **Save the date - GLOBAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2023**



Save the date for BCC's Global Annual Conference 2023, which will bring together business leaders, policy experts, media and government representatives to tackle important business issues and create lasting change.

• When: Wednesday 17 May 2023

• Where: QEII Centre, London

The conference will be centered around four key breakout sessions for thought-provoking discussion about:

- Skills;
- Green Innovation;
- **Growth**; and
- Trade

Please mark the date in your diaries, find out more and book your tickets here.

## 13th WORLD CHAMBERS CONGRESS

#### 21 - 23 June | Geneva, Switzerland

This is the world's largest economic forum for Chambers and businesses.

Registration

30 November – 12 December

2023 UN Climate Change Conference (COP28)

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