

## The Association of European Businesses

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- The Association of European Businesses (AEB) is the main representative body of foreign investors in the Russian Federation and EEU.
- The AEB was **founded** in **1995** on the initiative of a number of European companies that operated in Russia, Ambassadors of EU member countries and the head of the European Commission's Representative Office in the Russian Federation.
- The AEB is an active community of more than 500 member companies from the member states of the EU, the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) and other countries, which have business activities with and in the Russian Federation.
- The AEB is an advocate of its members' opinion, generated in over 65 industrial and cross-sectoral committees, subcommittees and working groups.

500+	200+	6500	26
member	events & committee meetings per year	community	represented
companies		participants	countries



### **AEB MISSION**

- Working to improve the business, investment and trade environment in Russia for AEB members through:
  - networking activities;
  - information support;
  - quality lobbying.
- Promoting partnership and economic integration between:
  - the Russian Federation;
  - the European Union;
  - the Eurasian Economic Union.



## **AEB MEMBERS BENEFIT FROM**



### 1. Committee membership

 First hand information and involvement within 65 industrial, cross-sectoral committees, subcommittees and working groups (including inter-committee communication and activities that help to share expertise in different economic spheres).

## 2. Lobbying power

 Cooperating with Russian, European and Eurasian authorities to solve business issues and effective interaction with lawmakers, participating in the AEB committees and working groups, including the AEB South regional and AEB North-Western regional committees.

## 3. Access to business information through:

- Early warning system with regards to Russian, EU and EAEU legislation.
- Quarterly market updates on business/economic/legislative issues.
- Open meetings, political and economic briefings and conferences.

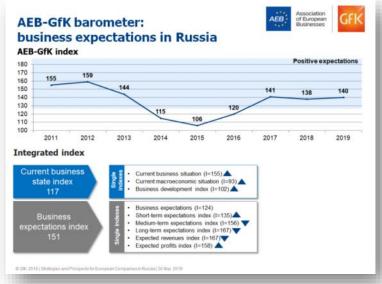


## 4. Participation in the **Annual business survey**

and access to its detailed results and analytical information.

The Survey is a highly valuable source of first-hand information that gives an overview of the attractiveness of the Russian investment climate and highlights the key challenges and strategies of European companies doing business in Russia.







### 5. Marketing opportunities:

- AEB newsletters (AEB Weekly) and the website: introducing new companies to the current members.
- Placing member companies' news on the AEB website and in the magazine AEB Business Quarterly.
- Sponsorship opportunities available at conferences, open meetings, receptions, etc.
- Increasing visibility and public awareness by sharing expert opinions in <u>AEB publications</u> and in the course of more than <u>200 AEB annual events and meetings</u>.

### 6. Networking:

- Respectful social events, including EU embassies based Euroreceptions opened exclusively for top management of the member companies.
- Access to the AEB online membership directory with contact information on all the member companies.
- Business breakfasts for new members with AEB Board members and the AEB CEO.

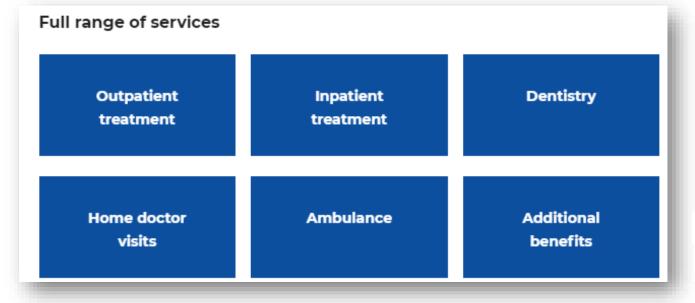
## 7. More business supporting services:



**Health Insurance Programme (HIP)** designed and operated by Marsh insurance brokers is available exclusively for AEB members of any size – from 1 to any number of employees. The Programme provides multiple levels of clinics and services and other additional benefits.

The Programme has been put through a rigorous selection process to ensure the best price and services to help member companies choose from the best providers and options. It provides multiple levels of clinics and services and other additional benefits.





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One Window Procedure for work visas and work permits AEB Members benefit from a quicker and easier way of applying for work visas and work permits for their foreign employees in Russia.

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**Business Services Platform (BSP)** — a webpage where a potential client can request a quotation for different types of services (legal, consulting, auditing, etc.) from AEB member companies by filling in a short form.



**AEB Loyalty Programme** — a unique opportunity for its members to benefit from the exclusive discounts on the products and services provided by other member companies.

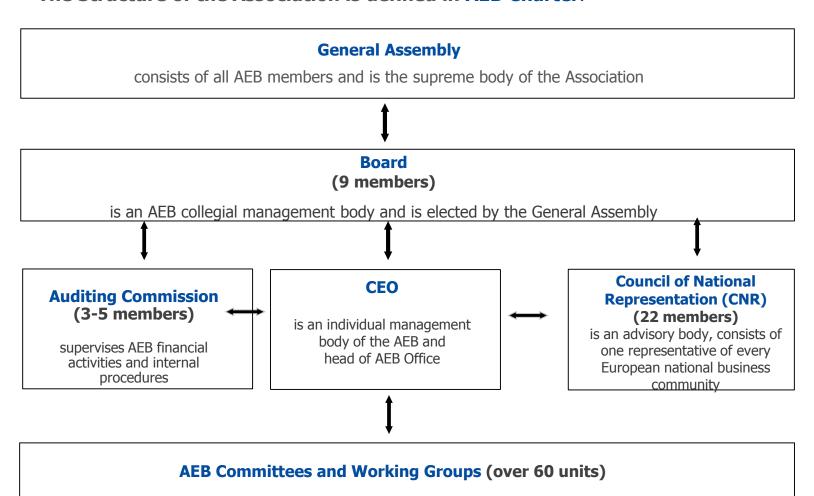


**AEB Training courses** — offered by training and consulting member companies. Opportunity to participate in tenders to conduct corporate trainings. Open and corporate training programmes for employees (for additional fee).



## **AEB STRUCTURE**

The Structure of the Association is defined in AEB Charter.





### **AEB ACTIVITIES**

The AEB seeks to achieve its goals through different activities, including:

Organisation and maintaining of **committee work** – the driving force of the AEB

Elaboration through respective committees and release of **statements** on the state of affairs of a broad range of issues, as well as projected and existing regulations

**Cooperation** with Russian authorities, the EU Delegation, official representatives of the EU member states and other national associations in Russia, in EU and in Eurasian Economic Commission

**Organisation** of briefings and open events, round tables and conferences with recognized experts and high profile people, business missions to Russian regions and the EU, social events



## **REGULAR AEB EVENTS**

Nō	Event	Month	Location	
1	Annual Automobile Manufacturers Committee press conference	January	Moscow	
2	TIAF Automechanika Forum	February	Kazan	
3	AEB Annual Customs Conference	March	ch Moscow	
4	Northern Dimension Forum	April	Saint Petersburg	
5	AEB Annual General Meeting	April	Moscow, Saint Petersburg, Krasnodar	
6	AEB Flagship Conference	May	Moscow	
7	AEB Taxation Forum	June/December	Moscow	
8	AEB Annual IPR Conference	June	Moscow	
9	IMAF Automechanika Forum	August	Moscow	
10	AEB Annual HR Conference	October	Moscow	
11	AEB Annual Migration Conference	December	Moscow	



## **EVENTS REGULARLY SUPPORTED BY THE AEB**

Nō	Event	Date	Location
1	The Russian Investment Forum	February	Sochi
2	Congress of Eurasian Waste Electrical Electronic Equipment Solutions	March	Moscow
3	St. Petersburg International Legal Forum SPBILF	April	St. Petersburg
4	Russian Health and Safety Week	April	Sochi
5	Compliance conference ICA	May	Moscow
6	St. Petersburg International Economic Forum SPIEF	June	St. Petersburg
7	Construction Equipment Forum	June	Moscow
8	Innoprom	July	Ekaterinburg
9	Comtrans Arena	September	Moscow
10	Open Innovations Skolkovo Forum	October	Moscow
11	Eastern Economic Forum	September	Vladivostok
12	Russian Energy Week	October	Moscow
13	Eurasian Economic Forum	October	Verona, Italy



### **AEB COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS ACTIVITIES**

Issues and recommendations provided by over 40 industrial, cross-sectoral and regional committees, subcommittees and working groups are published annually in **Position Paper**.

#### **INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEES**

- Agribusiness
- Airlines
- · Automobile Manufacturers
- Automotive Components
- Banking
- Commercial Vehicles
- Construction Equipment
- Construction Industry & Building Material Suppliers
- Crop Protection
- Energy
- · Food Processing
- Health & Pharmaceuticals
- Home Appliances Manufacturers
- · Hotels and Tourism
- Insurance & Pensions
- IT & Telecom
- Machine Building & Engineering
- Retail Trade
- Seed

#### **REGIONAL COMMITTEES**

- North-Western
- Southern



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#### **CROSS-SECTORAL COMMITTEES**

- Compliance & Ethics
- Customs & Transport
- Finance & Investments
- Human Resources
- Intellectual Property
- Legal
- Migration
- · Product Conformity Assessment
- · Public Relations & Communications
- Real Estate
- Safety, Health, Environment & Security
- Small & Medium-Sized Enterprises
- Taxation

#### **WORKING GROUPS**

- Coatings Industry
- Non-food FMCG
- Tobacco Products
- Modernisation & Innovations
- Regulation of Chemical Products





**Sergey Lavrov**Minister of Foreign Affairs



**Sergey Sobyanin** Mayor of Moscow



**Elvira Nabiullina**Governor of the Bank of Russia





**Denis Manturov**Minister of Industry
and Trade



**Alexander Morozov** Deputy Minister



**Vasily Osmakov** Deputy Minister





**Maxim Oreshkin**Minister of Economic
Development



**Savva Shipov** State Secretary — Deputy Minister



**Alexey Khersontsev** Deputy Minister







**Igor Artemiev** Head of the Federal Antimonopoly Service



**Maxim Protasov**Head of the Roskachestvo





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Vladimir Bulavin
Head of the Federal Customs
Service of the Russian
Federation



**Alexey Overchuk**Deputy Head of the
Federal Tax Service





**Alexander Uss**Governor of
the Krasnoyarsk
Region



**Vasily Golubev**Governor of the Rostov
Region



**Andrey Nikitin**Governor of the Novgorod Region



## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AT AEB EVENTS EURASIAN COMMISSION



**Timur Zhaksylykov**Minister of Economy & Financial Policy,
Eurasian Economic Commission



**Tatyana Valovaya**Minister on the Main Areas of Integration and Macroeconomics, Eurasian Economic Commission



**Mukay Kadyrkulov**Member of the Board — Minister of the Eurasian Economic
Commission

## **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AT AEB EVENTS ANALYSTS**





**Natalia Orlova** Chief Economist, Alfa Bank



**Sergey Dubinin**Member of the Supervisory
Board, VTB



**Evgeny Nadorshin** Chief Economist, PF Capital

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Alexey Arbatov
Full member of the Russian Academy
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Head, Center for International
Security at the Institute of World
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**Fyodor Lukyanov** Editor-in-Chief, "Russia in Global Affairs", Chairman of the Presidium of the Council on Foreign and Defence Policy

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AT AEB EVENTS RUSSIAN STATE/BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES



**Oleg Belozerov** General Director, RZD



**Alexey Mordashov** Chairman of the Board, Severstal



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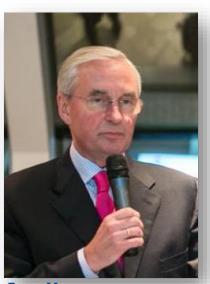




**Alexander Shokhin**President of the Russian
Union of Industrialists and
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**Boris Titov**Presidential Commissioner for
Entrepreneurs' Rights Protection



**Igor Yurgens**President of the All-Russian
Insurance Association and Russian
Association of Motor Insurers

# KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AT AEB EVENTS INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTATIVES





**Annette Kyobe,**Resident Representative of the IMF in Russia



**Apurva Sanghi,**Lead Economist for the Russian Federation,
World Bank

## **HOW TO BECOME AN AEB MEMBER**



Admittance of new members is based on a written application and settled by the AEB Board. The membership fee is determined by the worldwide annual turnover of the company (in Euros).

Category	Worldwide turnover (mln EUR)	Annual membership fee (EUR)	Benefits
SPONSOR	n/a	12.000	12 assigned / 2 representatives free access to paid events & top events; free access to all open events & respective committee meetings, etc.
CATEGORY A	>500	6.500	8 assigned / 1 representative to the top events; free access to all open events & respective committee meetings, etc.
CATEGORY B	100–499	4.000	<b>5</b> assigned / <b>1</b> representative to the top events; free access to all open events & respective committee meetings, etc.
CATEGORY C	1–99	2.500	3 assigned / 1 representative to the top events; free access to all open events & respective committee meetings
CATEGORY D	<1	800	2 assigned / 1 representative to top events; free access to all open events & respective committee meetings
CATEGORY I (EU/EFTA citizens only)	n/a	1.000	free access to all open events & respective committee meetings
CATEGORY R (rep. offices )	n/a	3.000	Company represented in Russia by a rep office only may join in category <b>R</b> for the <u>first 2 years</u> ; then in category <b>B</b> for the <u>3rd year</u> ; upgrade to category <b>A</b> for the <u>4th year</u> if applicable. <b>3</b> assigned / <b>1</b> representative to top events, free access to all open events & respective committee meetings



## **AEB REGIONAL BRANCHES**

Currently, the AEB has two regional branches: in Krasnodar and Saint Petersburg.

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