



PRESS-RELEASE

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**The Chairman of the AEB Board Mr. Reiner Hartmann
has been awarded a Degree Honoris Causa in Nuclear and Energy Engineering
by Universita degli Studi Guglielmo Marconi – Roma, Italy**

The Association of European Businesses is proud to announce that Mr. Reiner Hartmann, Chairman of the AEB Board has been awarded a Degree Honoris Causa in Nuclear and Energy Engineering by Universita degli Studi Guglielmo Marconi.

The award ceremony, which was opened by Mrs. Alessandra Briganti, Rector Magnificus of the Universita degli Studi Guglielmo Marconi, took place on April 8, 2011 in Moscow. This award recognises Mr. Hartmann's contribution to the study and practical efforts to support the global development of energy field and promote constructive energy relations between the Russian Federation and the European Union.

Commenting on this award, Mr. Hartmann said: *"I am deeply honoured to accept this award. It is as much a recognition of the contribution to community and international energy affairs by the Energy Committee of the Association of European Businesses as it is a personal reward."*

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