







AECM 25TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT

Global Conference on Guarantee Institutions for SME Financing

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01 and 02 June 2017 Hotel Meliá Castilla Capitán Haya, 43 Madrid, Spain

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Thursday, 01 June 2017 - Public Session of the General Assembly -

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15h00 Opening

- Bernhard Sagmeister, Chairman, AECM
- José Rolando Álvarez, Chairman, SGR-CESGAR
- Begoña Cristeto, General Secretary of Industry and SMEs Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competition, Spain

15h30 Key note address "Reflection on past, present & future SME policy of the EU"

 Kristin Schreiber, Director, DG COSME Program, Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW), European Commission

15h45 Panel on the 25 years of AECM

- Moderator: José Fernando Figueiredo, Special Honorary Chairman, AECM
- Pablo Pombo, Founding President, AECM
- Thomas García, Honorary Chairman, AECM
- Guido Verhaegen, Honorary Chairman, AECM, special tribute
- Italo Calegari, Honorary Chairman, AECM, special tribute
- Hans-Herbert Strombeck, Honorary Chairman, AECM
- Bernhard Sagmeister, Chairman, AECM

Group photo of all Chairmen of AECM

16h30 Twinnings

Moderator: Guy Selbherr, Vice President, AECM











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Guarantees and EU financial instruments - Experiences of AECM's members

- Pedro Pisonero Pérez, SGR-CESGAR / Spain
- Astrid Bartels, Policy Officer COSME Financial Instruments Team Leader, COSME Financial Instruments Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW), European Commission

Guarantees and agriculture. Working group on Agriculture

- László Tóth, AVHGA / Hungary
- Nivelin Noev, Assistant Policy Officer Assistant Horizontal Coordinator, Bulgaria, Croatia, Poland, Slovenia; Financial instruments, Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development (DG AGRI), European Commission

Guarantees and banking supervision. Working group on Banking Supervision

- Adelio Ferrari, Assoconfidi / Italy
- N.N., Bank of Spain

Guarantees and state aid. Working group on State Aid

- Guy Selbherr, VDB / Germany
- Barbara Cattrysse, State aid expert, Legal Department, European Investment Bank (EIB)

Guarantees and statistics. Working group on Statistics and Studies

- Bernard Jehin, SOWALFIN / Belgium
- Kris Boschmans, Policy Analyst, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs & Local Development (CFE) and responsible for the project 'Financing SME and Entrepreneurs', OECD

17h30 Training on guarantees. Operational Training Sessions (OTS)

Audrius Zabotka, INVEGA / Lithuania

17h50 Concluding remarks and closing of the meeting

Bernhard Sagmeister, Chairman of AECM

18h00 20h00	Coffee
	Transfer to the venue of the Gala Dinner
20h30	Gala Dinner: Palacio de Negralejo











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8h30 - 9h00**Arrival / registration**

9h00 **Opening statements:**

- Bernhard Sagmeister, Chairman, AECM
- José Rolando Álvarez, Chairman, SGR-CESGAR
- Matthew Gamser, CEO, SME Finance Forum

9h40 Session I: A Framework for Measuring Additionality of Credit Guarantee Schemes (CGSs)

Pietro Calice, Senior Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank Group (WBG)

10h00 Coffee break

10h15 Panel 1: Start-ups and Equity Guarantees

- Introductory speaker and moderator: José Fernando Figueiredo, Special Honorary Chairman of AECM, Coordinator of the Global Network of Guarantee Institutions (GNGI)
- Ravi Kiran Malik, Technical Adviser, Rural Finance, Prime Minister's Office, Government of Tanzania
- Virginie Poncet, Head of International Consulting Activities, Development and International Affairs Department, BpiFrance, France
- Yasushi Onishi, Executive Director, Japan Finance Corporation, Japan
- Gerhard Huemer, Director Economic Policy, European Association of Craft and Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (UEAPME)

11h45 Panel 2: Assessing the long-term sustainability of Credit Guarantee institutions, SME Financing Beyond Conventional Lending

- Introductory speaker and moderator: Ana Carvajal, Lead Capital Markets Specialist, World Bank Group (WBG)
- Fernando Hernandez, Head of Service at the Directorate General for Legislation and Financial Policy, Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness, Spain
- Giuseppe Gramigna, Chief Economist at the Small Business Administration (SBA), USA
- Nadine Wiedermann-Ondrej, Head of the Directorate Insurance and State Guarantees, DG Economic policy and Financial markets, Ministry of Finance, Austria

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13h15 Group photo and lunch

14h30 Panel 3: Guarantees Institutions for financing specific sectors, esp. agriculture

- Introductory speaker and moderator: Panos Varangis, Global Lead for Agricultural Finance and Agricultural Insurance, Finance & Markets, World Bank Group (WBG)
- Giorgio Venceslai, Executive Director of ISMEA, Italy
- João Júlio Fernandes, CEO, FGC Fundo de Garantia de Crédito, Angola
- Sriya Dayawansa, Director of the Regional Development Department at the Central Bank of Sri Lanka
- Jorge Eduardo Soto Mejia, Vice president of Guarantees and risks in agricultural sector, Fund for the Financing of the Agricultural Sector (FINAGRO), Colombia
- Antonio Vega, Vice President of SGR-CESGAR and Director General, Avalunión, Spain

16h00 Session II: Improving country credit infrastructure - the G20 SME Finance **Action Plan**

Ghada Teima, Lead Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank Group (WBG)

16h20 **Session III:** Approaches to Implementing the G20 / OECD High-Level **Principles on SME Financing**

Lucia Cusmano, Senior Economist, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs & Local Development (CFE) and Executive Secretary for the OECD Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship (WPSMEE)

16h40 **Closing Remarks**

- Bernhard Sagmeister, Chairman, AECM
- **Ghada Teima,** Lead Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank Group (WBG)
- José Rolando Álvarez, Chairman, SGR-CESGAR
- Mario Buisán, Chairman, CERSA

16h50 **AECM annual event 2018 presentation**

17h00 **End of Seminar**

