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Innovative and entrepreneurial businesses are key to creating successful and smart solutions to the existential challenge of climate change.

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There is no social dimension without a sound economic foundation. Competitiveness and higher productivity based on skills and knowledge represent a sound recipe for maintaining and enhancing the wellbeing of European societies. Economic growth and a well-functioning internal market are preconditions for strengthening the social dimension of the EU.

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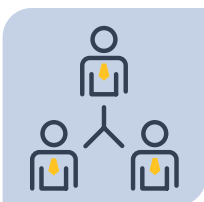
Well-functioning social dialogue, based on the full autonomy of social partners, is one of the key features of the European social market economy. At different levels, social dialogue can be an asset in helping Europe to adapt to the changes in working life, as well as being a tool for responsible change management.

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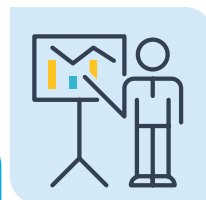
The momentum of the green and digital transitions is welcome. This dual transition must be both sustainable and inclusive. To achieve this, a free market and businesses are indispensable.

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Any EU initiatives and measures must be taken at the right level and with full respect for the division of competences and the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality. Furthermore, for all new initiatives, a specific competitiveness check should be undertaken before their launch.

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We need a regulatory environment that promotes and rewards innovation and technologies, supporting the growth of all businesses and small and medium-sized businesses in particular

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Human-centred AI, effective climate policy and other public goods cannot be brought about without business. The business community is ready to build on strong partnerships with public authorities (PPP), with our social partners, and with civil society and NGOs that share our common interest in safeguarding and improving the broad welfare of our societies.

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The digital transformation process needs to incorporate the goal of participation: digital upskilling, new forms of work and flexible labour markets – ingredients that are key for an inclusive and sustainable society.

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Removing barriers to the free trade of goods and services brings benefits for everyone – customers, workers and businesses. Implementation of the services directive should be a priority for further business integration.

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Excessive bureaucracy creates unnecessary costs for business and society. For every new rule, we should aim to take out an old existing rule. One in, one out should be the guiding principle for Better Regulation.

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Legal certainty and private ownership are two essential ingredients for economic growth and social cohesion. They must be respected at all times.

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The EU is a key player when it comes to international trade. It must behave like one when it comes to negotiating trade deals with international partners. Trade agreements must not be overburdened with different standards and they should be implemented in such a way that the benefits of trade are recognised by the general public.

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Removing barriers to trade means more economic growth, more jobs and a more socially sustainable Europe. Protectionism destroys the internal market and disrupts international trade.



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Who are we?

We are a Group of European delegates for employers and entrepreneurs, with mandates from representative employers' and business organisations in the EU Member States. We are part of the European Economic and Social Committee and thus have a formal consultative role in the EU.

What do we believe in?

We believe in the European Union, and stand for its values of democracy, freedom, fundamental rights and the rule of law. We have faith in an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable market economy, responsible entrepreneurship and fair competition.

What do we strive for?

We advocate and work for a business environment that strengthens the competitiveness of European enterprises, encourages entrepreneurship and provides favourable conditions for innovating, investing, operating and trading. To foster this, we call for a strong EU that is founded on cohesion and unity.

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