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Dinner Discussion with Ms Edwina Hart MBE OStJ AM Minister for Economy, Science & Transport of the Welsh Government



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GERMAN INDUSTRY UK welcomed Ms Edwina Hart MBE OStJ AM, Minister for Economy, Science & Transport of the Welsh Government and her Director General, Mr James Price, to a Dinner Discussion on 16 May at the St George's Hotel in Llandudno.



Ms Edwina Hart MBE OStJ AM

Our Chairman and Chief Executive, Dr Bernd Atenstaedt, who was hosting the Dinner, gave an overview of our many meetings over the years with the Welsh Government on matters of investment from and exports to Germany, renewable energy and skills. He then talked about skills and apprenticeship training, which is high on the agenda of German companies in Wales followed by Mr Laurence Grub who talked about renewable energy. After a lively discussion the Minister said she wanted close cooperation between the Welsh Government and GERMAN INDUSTRY UK in particular regarding our proposed German led renewable energy park in North Wales. GERMAN INDUSTRY UK welcomes this commitment from the Minister and will now discuss this further with Mr James Price.



Mr James Price

Also present at the Dinner Discussion were:

Senior politicians from Plaid Cymru, the Party of Wales - Lord Dafydd Wigley of Caernarfon, Honorary President, Lord Dafydd Elis-Thomas PC AM, Assembly Member for Dwyfor Meirionnydd and Mr Alun Ffred Jones AM, Assembly Member for Arfon.

Chief Executives of German companies in Wales - Mr Jonathan Ellis, Powell Mail Order Ltd, Mr Laurence Grubb, AKG UK Ltd and Board Member of GIUK, Mr Arnold Kämmerling MBE, CK International Ltd, Mr Michael Morton, Arriva Buses Wales and Mr John Radford, Balluff Limited and Board Member of GIUK.



Lord Elis-Thomas PC AM, Ms Edwina Hart MBE OStJ AM and Mr Alun Ffred Jones AM (L →R)



Mr James Price, Mr Arnold Kämmerling MBE, Lord Dafydd Wigley of Caernarfon (L →R)



All participants during the dinner

This was a very enjoyable and rewarding evening for all those present.