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ECCO Symposium #6 - Preliminary Agenda

ECCO Symposium #6 preliminary agenda is now available [here](#). We are glad to announce that **Ms. Nicole Bricq**, French Minister of External Trade, and **Mr. Rupert Schlegelmilch**, Head of Government Procurement for the Trade DG at the European Commission, will be attending as speakers.

In order to attend, preliminary registration is compulsory via www.regonline.com/eccosymposium6. Registration will close on June 9, 2013. A late fee will apply starting June 2.



Ms. Nicole Bricq, French Minister of External Trade

Offset Academy - Conclusion of the 2013 Session



The third and last Module of the Countertrade & Offset Academy "Executive Management" Program was successfully concluded on May 17, with the award of their full certificate of attendance to the candidates who attended the entire program. A total of 19 trainees from 8 different countries participated, with an overall satisfaction level of 92%.

The next Program will take place in 2014, and be spread into two six-day sessions taking place in February and March.

The Economist - Offset: "Guns and Sugar"

The Economist published an article summarizing the various stakes currently debated about Offset in both its online and printed editions dated May 25, 2013. Among others, this article discusses offsets' legitimacy and future, their actual benefits and associated corruption risks.

A scan of the printed version was posted on ECCO's Website for Members only.



WTO and OECD - "Made in the World" database update

In a context of internationalized supply-chains, only taking into account a product's last country of origin creates a distorted picture of exchanges when trying to understand global trade flows. In this view, in 2012, the WTO and OECD started gathering data on added-values, creating the "Made in the World" statistical database.

The WTO announced a significant update of this database in May, which now includes wider country coverage and an industry breakdown. The database can be consulted [here](#).

Top 10 added-value exporters (2009)
Excluding agricultural and mineral raw materials

	Added-value included in gross Exports (in mUSD)	As a % of gross exports
United States	1 236 178	89%
China	851 622	67%
Germany	842 210	73%
Japan	525 728	85%
United Kingdom	439 865	82%
France	418 696	75%
Italy	391 949	80%
Korea	237 587	59%
Spain	236 217	79%
Canada	202 033	76%

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Don't forget that the Members Area of the ECCO website has a "Small Ads" section where you can either place an announcement regarding your offset requirements or make yourself known as a service provider. It has now been extended to include job offers.

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