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BUSINESSES CALL FOR A BOOST TO EUROPE

1. Implement the reforms for growth and jobs

- Strengthen the link between research and innovation
- Pursue a broad programme on better regulation
- Fight against public deficits

2. Integrate the European market

- Achieve efficient European network industries, especially in energy
- Apply the mutual recognition principle for all relevant markets
- Adopt a services directive which will effectively foster growth and jobs

3. Govern the EU efficiently

- Solve the EU institutional problems arising with 25 and more Member States

4. Fight national protectionism

- Take strong action in favour of the respect to the Internal Market law
- Ensure a level playing field on world markets in the current WTO negotiations

5. Take advantage of the opportunities of enlargement

- Lift existing restrictions on labour market access for new Member States
- Use the regional and cohesion policy to encourage economic development throughout the EU, especially in the new Member States

6. Reform European social systems to make them sustainable

- Improve people's employment opportunities
- Adapt social systems to an ageing population
- Give the necessary space for the social dialogue

