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### **ERNEST-ANTOINE SEILLIÈRE DECORATED BY KING ALBERT II**

The President of BUSINESSEUROPE, Ernest-Antoine Seillière has been created “*Commandeur de l’Ordre de Léopold*” by His Majesty, Albert II, King of the Belgians for his contribution to the construction of Europe.

Mr Seillière, who will end his second two-year term as President of BUSINESSEUROPE on 30 June 2009 received the decoration today from Mr. Bernard Clerfayt, State Secretary, Deputy Finance Minister.

Ernest-Antoine Seillière, said: *“I am very grateful to be honoured in this way by King Albert II. I have done a lot of business with his country over the years and I have worked closely with the Belgian business federation VBO-FEB. During my presidency of BUSINESSEUROPE, I have enjoyed my frequent visits to Brussels and appreciate its role as the European capital.”*

#### NOTE TO THE EDITOR

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