



### NEWS RELEASE

#### **Finding an agreement with Greece – BUSINESSEUROPE statement**

(19 June 2015, Brussels) Dear Journalist, ahead of the EU Council meeting on 22 June 2015 please find our statement:

#### **Finding an agreement with Greece**

The European business community fully stands behind the Greek business community and the Greek people.

We are deeply concerned about the negative consequences of a potential failure for Greece and the European Union as a whole. We trust that the European Commission will continue to play its role in a measured way. We urge the Greek government to live up to its responsibility and carry out the reforms that the country needs, in particular - as suggested in the recent joint letter by the leaders of SEV and other Greek business organisations to Prime Minister Tsipras - by making *“every attempt to consolidate the pension system, to create a modern and fair fiscal framework, to combat tax evasion, to make good use of State property and to improve the productivity of the country’s public administration so as to overcome the current negotiation deadlocks”*.

The business community continues to hope that an agreement will be found on this basis.

With the above mentioned measures, and when Greece reaches a sufficient annual primary surplus, further measures could be considered in the longer term to bring Greece’s public debt back on a sustainable path.”

Please find also BUSINESSEUROPE’s

**“Message to the EU Council meetings on 22 and 25-26 June 2015” [here](#)**



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