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Chief Economists Group

London, 10 April 2025

Dear members,

On agreement with the chair, Patrick Slaets, we would like to call for the next Chief Economists Working Group meeting to take place in London, UK on **Thursday, 10 April 2025.**

The draft agenda for this meeting is attached (*enclosure 1*). Please let us know before **Tuesday, 24 February 2025** if you have any comments or would like to add any point for discussion.

The meeting will begin at **09:30** and finish at **15:00** (CET) and take place at:

* **Make UK offices, Broadway House, Tothill Street, London SW19NQ, United Kingdom**

**Dinner on Wednesday, 9 April 2025**

An informal dinner will be organised for members the evening before our meeting on **Wednesday, 9 April 2025 from** **20:00 (CET)** at **Old Queen Street Cafe**,  
6 Old Queen Street Westminster SW1H 9HP London.

**Hotel accommodation**

Due to the very high prices of accommodation in London, **we would recommend you to book** – **ASAP-** in the hotel light across the street of Make UK:

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| 1. **The Hup**   Address: 15 Dacre St, London SW1H 0DJ, United Kingdom  Phone: +44 333 041 6160  [Website](https://www.premierinn.com/gb/en/hotels/england/greater-london/london/hub-london-westminster-st-jamess-park.html?cid=GLBC_LONWES) |  |

It is not a five stars but there is full comfort.

Further information and working papers will be sent to you closer to the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick Slaets & Pauline Dubois-Graffin

Chair of CEG & Policy Advisor

**Enclosure:**

1. Draft agenda

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**CEG Meeting**

**London, 10 April 2025**

**Draft agenda**

1. Opening and welcome
2. Update on the situation in the MET Industries
   1. National updates
3. Update on EU last publications
   1. European Competitive Compass
   2. European Commission Spring Package (if it’s available)
4. Discussion on Ceemet figures
   1. Labour cost by Alexandre Jagot
   2. Production by Mats Kinnwall/Bengt
   3. R&D expenditures by Fhaheen Khan
   4. Exports by Patrick Slaets
   5. Productivity by Lars Kroemer
   6. Employment by Lars Kroemer
   7. Hours worked by Elena Falcone
   8. Investment by Hanne Mikkonen
5. Future activities of CEG
6. Any other business
   1. Next meeting (hybrid mode in Brussels)