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Information about the Spring meeting (May) and General meeting (September)

Dear Members of FEBIS,

The economies in Europe are slowly showing signs of recovery. FEBIS now wants to shift the focus of attention to the future. Obviously, we keep a strong focus on EU regulations that may affect our business. In our 2014 meetings we will dedicate much attention to new developments, new initiatives from - still unknown - parties and key expectations of customers that will shape our market.

We would like to discuss what we know about new information initiatives and we want to look across industries to look for interesting services. We want to find concrete business cases of for instance big data, crowd sourcing, social or open information models. And we will discuss how successful, challenging or educational they are for our own business and future.

In the Spring Meeting we will start exploring these issues in very interactive workshops with all our participants. In preparation to this meeting FEBIS will conduct a survey. We will make a summary of findings of the results of the spring meeting that will be used as input for follow up in our meeting in September too.

Some key points of the spring program and workshops (full program details will follow):

- Discussion of the results of Questionnaire – members input and interpretation
- A definition of overall landscape of Information providers and possible (new) entrants, new users, new services
- China: short introduction to Chinese Business information, innovations in China, key developments in Chinese BI market, compare to Western BI markets
- Summary, conclusions and a definition of 'a calendar for the future'

The Board of FEBIS is looking forward to meeting you and also welcomes input and ideas that can help us organize the meetings and make them successful and interesting.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Gertjan Kaart', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Gertjan Kaart
President of FEBIS

Important dates

- March 2014: FEBIS Survey (e-mail Survey Monkey)
- May 6/May 7, 2014: FEBIS Spring Meeting Rome
 - Day 1 May 6: Arrivals : 12.30 Lunch / Start Meeting : 14.15
 - Day 2 May 7: Departures : 12.30 Lunch and goodbye
- September 24 – September 26, 2014: FEBIS Annual Conference **Barcelona**.
 - Day 1 September 24: Arrivals : 19.30 Welcome Cocktail
 - Day 3 September 26: Departures : 12.00 End of Meetings and Goodbye