

## EL CONSORCI €8.3 MILLION PROFIT IN 2016, 5% INTENDED FOR SOCIAL AID YEARLY

- CZFB has contributed to the Barcelona's economy with €546.2 million in last 25 years.
- Next year's priorities: promote affordable housing, 4.0 Economy and help SMEs.
- Jordi Cornet asked institutions to keep collaborating for citizen interests.

**Barcelona, 4th July 2017.- Jordi Cornet**, special State delegate at El Consorci de la Zona Franca de Barcelona (CZFB) has reported that CZFB made €8.3 million profit in 2016 and in next Plenary it will be suggested to use 5% of it every year for social aid.

Cornet lectured at the Cambra de Comerç de Barcelona "*El Consorci: A centennial comp@ny: present and future*", within the series "Cambra's Luncheon", sponsored by Abertis, Agbar, Cisco, CaixaBank, Deloitte, EAE and Gas Natural, among others.

2016 closed with significant gains of 84% whereas the previous year's profit was €4.5 million. Nowadays, ZF industrial estate is totally occupied, the company has a financial debt of €56 million, cutting the debt by as much as 71% and its own expenditure from 2011 to 2016 has decreased by 31%, €8.1 million.

In 2016 Consorci Internacional SAU (CZFB's trade fairs subsidiary) got benefits (surplus of €200,000) after 8 years of losses of BMP and SIL and doubled the fairs into new digital economy events as Inmotecnia Rent and eDelivery.

Cornet explained that "**El Consorci's economic situation changed considerably thanks to consensus**". Goals for next 10 years are to help to open small and medium-sized businesses and entrepreneurs in Barcelona, to promote 4.0 economy and affordable housing. Corporate management intend to spend 5% of benefits for social aid every year.

Referring to the current situation in Catalonia, Cornet has considered that "**We must collaborate for citizen interests by finding similarities from differences. Joining efforts multiply results. Some political approaches seem to persecute diminishing the role of Catalonia in the world.**"

You can see a photo of the event by clicking [here](#).

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