THE BARCELONA FREE TRADE ZONE, A CROSSROADS FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE

THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AUTHORISED ECONOMIC OPERATORS AND THE AZERBAIJAN CUSTOMS SERVICE PRESENT THE BAKU INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TO EL CONSORCI

In Barcelona, on 13th February 2018.- The executive president of El Consorci de la Zona Franca in Barcelona (CZFB), **Jordi Cornet**, held a meeting with the president of the International Association of Authorised Economic Operators, **Antonio Llobet**, and with the representative of the State Customs Committee of Azerbaijan, **Dilavar Farzaliyev**, to discuss the International Conference of Authorised Economic Operators, which will be taking place in Baku during this year of 2018.

The conference will be held on the dates of 2nd, 3rd and 4th May in Azerbaijan's capital. It is a meeting of great interest to those in the profession of logistics who work in the fields of customs activity and international trade. The International Association of Authorised Economic Operators (AEO) co-organises this event intended for all of the role-players in the supply chain of international trade. Last year, it was held during the International Trade Fair for Logistics and Maintenance, SIL Barcelona.

Azerbaijan has one of the fastest growing economies in the world and is an important crossroads on the new silk route between Europe and Central Asia, a strategic point in the Baku-Tbilisi-Kars infrastructure along the Middle Rail Corridor.

The meeting between the Azerbaijani delegation, and those of the AEO and CZFB was spurred by the increasing role held by El Consorci in the field of logistics, through the management of its Customs Free Trade Zone, the organisation of SIL Barcelona, and the outreach which it is creating for the city of Barcelona as part of the international map of Customs Free Trade Zones and logistics platforms.

Networking by entities involved in the world of customs was also useful for increasing awareness about the candidacy of El Consorci de la Zona Franca in Barcelona so that it may become the Mediterranean seat of the World Free Zones Organisation (WFZO) and to provide information on Barcelona hosting the Congress of the Customs Agents Association of the Americas (ASAPRA) from 5th to 7th June, within the framework of SIL 2018.

The World Free Zones Conference (WFZO) will also be held as part of SIL Barcelona in 2019, as well as the ALACAT Congress of Freight Agents and International Logistics Operators of Latin America and the Caribbean.

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