



Dear Member,

Please find below the DutchCham e-Newsletter of Monday, 7th June 2010.

DutchCham news

DEADLINE - Business Directory 2010-2011

In order to publish the Dutch Chamber Business Directory 2010-2011 after the summer holidays, we need your revised company's listing on or before **5th July 2010**. If you do not return your listing preference (standard or full page), you will automatically receive a standard listing.

Please take a look at your exposure opportunities with the Dutch Chamber as well, if you are interested in a tailor-made package, please do not hesitate to contact us via faith@dutchchamber.hk

Business Directory 2010-2011 hard copy and online version	
Full page Listing – Company logo and picture	Gold & Corporate members (HK\$15,000.-) All other members (HK\$ 7,500.-)
Full page AD – Full colour next to your listing ½ page AD – Full colour next to your listing	(HK\$ 20,000.-) (HK\$ 10,000.-)
Full page AD – Full colour on the divider ½ page AD – Full colour on the divider Company logo on the divider	(HK\$ 30,000.-) (HK\$ 15,000.-) (HK\$ 8,000.-)
Full page AD on the inside front cover Full page AD on the inside back cover	(HK\$ 40,000.-) (HK\$ 35,000.-)
Bookmark – Full colour	(HK\$ 45,000.-)

REMINDER - Membership 2010-2011

In March, we sent invoices and additional documents for your membership with the Dutch Chamber for the period April 1, 2010 – March 31, 2011. We would like to thank you for your support and hope to be able to continue to serve you during the upcoming year. Upon receipt of your membership contribution, your corporate listing will appear in our Business Directory 2010-2011. Would you please be so kind to check with your financial department whether your membership has been renewed, as the response rate is 50%.

CELEBRATION - Dutch Chamber's 20th Anniversary

How do you want us to celebrate? Interested in organizing a party? Join the Business Award of the Year Committee 2011!

At the beginning of 2011, the Dutch Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong will celebrate its 20th anniversary. This of course cannot go unnoticed! The Chamber is only ever as great as its members and to celebrate our longstanding partnership we would like to put YOU in the spotlight. It has been decided to do this by organising a grand **Business Award of the Year gala dinner**. Nomination rounds for several award categories will be held in advance. The winners will be announced during the BAY gala dinner. Join the Business Award of the Year Committee 2011. To develop and organise this celebratory occasion we are putting together a special **BAY committee**. The committee comprises of voluntary members who can make some of their time and skills available during the months of May 2010 – February 2011 to help us create a memorable and meaningful event. If you would like to offer your assistance in any of the following tasks then we would love to hear from you! *Finances, Nomination eligibility and conditions, Jury tasks,*

Communications, Press, Marketing, Sponsor recruiting, Location and Catering ,Entertainment, Ticket sales. If you are interested, please contact us at info@dutchchamber.hk or +852 2815 2801

NEW Office Manager at the DutchCham office: Helen Yong

On the 25th of June our Trainee, Zafer Aggunduz will leave the Dutch Chamber after his internship of 5 months at the office. He will move back to the Netherlands and finish his study: International Business and Languages. His successor is not a Trainee, but a newly created role of Office Manager to Helen Yong in order to maintain the continuity of the Dutch Chamber. Helen has been living in the Netherlands till she moved along with her husband and children to Hong Kong for her husband's career. It has been two years now and her family managed to adapt and settle down in this vibrant city. After working at a bank for almost 10 years in the Netherlands, specialized in Settlements and Fund Administration, Helen has started a new chapter in her life. She is happy to be given the opportunity to work at the Dutch Chamber, besides being an active member of the events committee of the Dutch Association. You will all get the chance to meet her in person during one of our events!

DutchCham Upcoming Events

“Broodjes” MUNCH on the move to PromoClip Asia Ltd. – “The must do journey to Kwai Chung” ***NEW!**

Thursday 10th June, 12:30-14:00PM, PromoClip Asia Ltd. 17/F, Favor Industrial Building, 2-6 Kin Hong Street, Kwai Chung, N.T. (17 /號飛亞工業大廈 2-6健康街，葵涌，新界)

The MUNCH is a monthly gathering for members/ potential members who want to Mingle and Lunch. In 2009, we decided to take the MUNCH to the next level called: **MUNCH on the move!** This means that each MUNCH will be hosted by a company member, we believe in telling is selling, so by hosting the MUNCH, the company member has the chance to create a buzz around the company. **The MUNCH is for:** All Dutch Chamber members who want to take this opportunity in broadening your network and meet new people. In addition, potential members are mostly welcome. Those who would like to attend will need to register so ample lunches can be arranged. **About our host:** The Managing Director René Theil will tell us his story about how he started his company and his experience when doing business in the Asian-Pacific region. We will then have an informal “BROODJES MUNCH” that will be offered to you by PROMOCLIP ASIA. During the “BROODJES” he will also presents us their award-winning green pad-print machine, and show us how they print these innovative paper clips. Then he will also show what else is happening at the BLUE EIGHT GROUP OF COMPANIES under which umbrella PROMOCLIP ASIA resides.

Veolia's Commitment to Preserve the Iconic Ding Ding Tram's Heritage

Tuesday 15th June, 8:15-10:00AM, Banker's Club, 43/F Gloucester Tower, The Landmark, Central

Topic: Bruno Charrade, Managing Director of HK Tramways presents:

- How Veolia intends to improve while preserving the tradition;
- Why such a take-over has been accepted;
- How Veolia communicates and builds a new trustful relationship with the local population and users;
- From an HR perspective, which management style and actions this change of ownership will bring and or are necessary.

Price: Members HK\$ 250,- / Non-members HK\$ 350,- (incl. breakfast)

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Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2010 *Save the date!

Monday 21st June, 18:30PM (registration starts at 18:00PM), Cheung Kong Center, 57/F, suite 5702, Central

The Dutch Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong is delighted to invite all Ordinary Members to the **Annual General Meeting 2010**. This is the event for you as an Ordinary Member to attend, discuss ideas and give your input! Chairman and Directors will be elected or re-elected on this occasion. An official invitation will be sent to you by mail. **Price:** free of charge, finger food and drinks will be served.

InterCham Connecting People Cocktail **Limited tickets!*

Tuesday 22nd June, 18:30-21:30PM, Dragon-I, UG/F, The Centrium, 60 Wyndham Street, Central (max. 450 pax)

We would like to invite you to the InterCham Connecting People Cocktail, organized by the Italian, Korean and Austrian Chambers of Commerce, on behalf of InterCham. The cocktail is a **great opportunity to mingle and connect with hundreds of business professionals from the 27 International Chambers of Commerce** and Business Associations in Hong Kong. Enlarge your network while enjoying wonderful drinks at the Dragon-i. By attending this event you will also support a worthwhile cause: profits will indeed be destined to the InterCham Scholarship Fund, a programme designed to sponsor underprivileged university students in Hong Kong. Tickets are limited and sold on a first-come-first-serve basis. Please book early to avoid disappointment. Please note that tickets will not be sold at the entrance, and no entrance allowed without tickets. **Price:** Members HK\$ 250.- / Non-members HK\$ 350.-

Rabobank Herring Party **Registration started!*

Thursday 24 June, 19:00-22:00PM, Orange Tree Restaurant, 17 Shelley Street, Central



The Dutch Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong, Nederlandse Vereniging Hong Kong and Orange Tree are delighted to invite you to the Rabobank Herring Party 2010! You are most welcome to bring your partner and (business) companions to taste the new Herring (**Hollandse Nieuwe**) from the Netherlands, enjoy the typically Dutch music and canapés. Registration has been started! **Price:** Members HK\$ 330.- / Non-members HK\$ 400.-

For registration, please click on the event and you will be redirected to our website, for more information, please send an email to info@dutchchamber.hk

News from the European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong

Seminar on Telecommunications: Overview of current policy & regulations in the EU

Thursday 24th June 2010, 14:00-16:00PM, Office of the EU to HK and Macao, 20/F, St. John's Building, 33 Garden Road, Hong Kong

The European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong, with EUBIP funding* is delighted to host a seminar on EU current policy and regulation in telecommunications with Christophe Forax, Counselor, ICT and Audiovisual. Christophe will address a number of key issues concerning the current EU direction on telecommunications policy, with a focus on spectrum allocation and deployment in the EU. The presentation will be followed by a panel discussion with the audience. This is an interactive and focused seminar, with 25 seats available (based on first-come-first-serve). For registration details, kindly contact Shirley Lee at Shirley.lee@eurocham.com.hk or call: +852 2511 5133.

News from the Dutch Association (Nederlandse Vereniging Hong Kong)

The Netherlands at 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa

1st Match Monday 14th June at 7:30PM HKG time
2nd Match Saturday 19th June at 7:30PM HKG time
3rd Match Friday 25th June at 2:30AM HKG time

And all matches that follow.

The Netherlands - Denmark
The Netherlands - Japan
The Netherlands - Cameroon

Location: Grappa's Cellar, downstairs at Jardine House, 1 Connaught Road Central. No reservations are needed.

The programme of the first match starts at 6:00PM HKG time with images from Dutch soccer, Dutch music and Dutch snacks provided by Orange Tree to get in the Orange mood of the Netherlands. Outfit: as orange as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Geert Sonnemans at geert@smans.net.

News from the Consulate-General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

Vacature - Secretaresse Chef de Poste Consulaat Generaal Hong Kong (35hrs/week)

Goede kennis van de Engelse, Nederlandse en Kantonese taal in woord en geschrift is een must.

Locatie: 57th Floor, Cheung Kong Center, 2 Queen's Road Central

Werkomgeving: de bevordering van de economische interactie tussen Nederland en Hongkong en zijn achterland is hoofdtak van de post. Nederland is de vierde Europese handelspartner van Hongkong. De post maakt deel uit van het netwerk van Nederland in China, dat naast de ambassade in Peking, de consulaten-generaal te Shanghai en Guangzhou en de vertegenwoordiging in Taipei, acht economische steunpunten (NBSO's, NABSO's) omvat in even zovele Chinese steden. Een tweede hoofdtak van de post Hongkong is de consulaire zorg. Zo'n 250 Nederlandse bedrijven zijn in Hongkong vertegenwoordigd en het aantal Nederlanders belooft naar schatting tussen de 5000 en 7000. Veel delegaties vanuit Nederland bezoeken Hongkong in samenhang met Peking en/of Guangzhou en Shanghai. [Klik hier voor meer informatie](#) of contacteer: Robert Schuddeboom (Consul Generaal) en Andre Verkade (Plv CdP/HBV) via telefoon: + 852 2522 5127. **Solliciteren:** de sollicitatieprocedure bestaat voornamelijk uit een gesprek. Verder bestaat de mogelijkheid dat de talenkennis in een gesprek wordt getest. Geïnteresseerden worden uitgenodigd een motivatiebrief, referenties en curriculum vitae **vóór 12 juni 2010** te sturen naar: hon-cdp@minbuza.nl.

News

ASIA PACIFIC

Australia orders Google 'privacy breach' investigation

The Australian police have been ordered to investigate Google for possible breach of privacy while taking pictures for its Street View service. Australia's attorney general said he had asked police to probe the internet giant following complaints that Google had gathered personal data from some unencrypted wi-fi services. Google has admitted doing so, but apologized, saying it was in error. The company has recently criticised the government's plan for internet filters. (<http://news.bbc.co.uk>; 6/6/2010) [Read more>](#)

Barack Obama greets new Japanese leader Naoto Kan

US President Barack Obama has telephoned Japan's new leader Naoto Kan to congratulate him and to pledge co-operation, amid tensions over a US military base on the island of Okinawa. Tokyo officials said Mr Kan had promised to make "strenuous efforts" to resolve the issue. Japan's previous government resigned after failing to implement an election pledge to move the US base off Okinawa. (<http://news.bbc.co.uk>; 6/6/2010) [Read more>](#)

South Korea refers North to UN over ship sinking

South Korea has referred North Korea to the United Nations over the sinking of its warship in March. An international investigation found that North Korea was responsible, an accusation the North denies. South Korea has not spelled out what action it wants the UN to take, although it has not asked for sanctions against the North. Tensions between the two Koreas have increased since the sinking in which 46 sailors were killed. (<http://news.bbc.co.uk>; 6/4/2010) [Read more>](#)

HONG KONG

Top officials continue reform promotion

Chief Executive Donald Tsang and his political team today toured Hong Kong again to garner

support for the 2012 constitutional reform package. Mr Tsang promoted the message at Kornhill Plaza, Quarry Bay, and Oi Tung Shopping Centre, Shau Kei Wan. Chief Secretary Henry Tang went to Festival Walk, Kowloon Tong, and the Dragon Centre, Sham Shui Po. Financial Secretary John Tsang and Secretary of Justice Wong Yan Lung visited Sai Kung Public Pier and Hang Hau in Tseung Kwan O. Other bureau secretaries and political appointees also joined the visits. (<http://www.news.gov.hk>; 6/6/2010) [Read more>](#)

Infection drill held at the airport

Four-hundred people from 20 organisations have participated in an exercise at Hong Kong International Airport to test the readiness of government departments and related organisations to deal with emergencies involving severe infectious diseases. (<http://www.news.gov.hk>; 6/4/2010) [Read more>](#)

EUROPE

Israel deports activists challenging Gaza blockade

Israel has deported seven activists who tried to sail an aid ship to Gaza in defiance of Israel's blockade. They were among 11 campaigners and eight crew who signed deportation papers on Saturday, after troops boarded their ship the Rachel Corrie. On Monday, Israeli forces killed nine activists in clashes as they tried to break the blockade. (<http://news.bbc.co.uk>; 6/6/2010) [Read more>](#)

Merkel holds Germany cabinet meeting on budget

German Chancellor Angela Merkel is holding a special, two-day cabinet meeting to come up with a savings plan for the country's budget. Berlin wants to rein in its deficit to meet European Union rules, as a sovereign-debt crisis has hit markets and the euro in the past few months. Germany faces a deficit of more than 86bn euros (\$103bn; £83bn) this year and has to cut 10bn a year until 2016. Measures being considered include road tolls, tax rises and welfare cuts. (<http://news.bbc.co.uk>; 6/6/2010) [Read more>](#)

THE NETHERLANDS

NRC International ends daily operations

INRC Media is sorry to announce its English language website, NRC International, will be discontinued after the June 9 Dutch election. NRC has to focus on what it does best: make the greatest papers in the Netherlands for its Dutch readership. "We must set priorities," NRC Media publishing director Hans Nijenhuis said, as he announced the cutback measure last week. NRC's main publications in the Netherlands are the printed dailies NRC Handelsblad and nrc.next and the website nrc.nl. As part of the cost reduction, NRC is also abandoning its video productions and its quarterly Focus. (www.nrc.nl; 6/7/2010) [Read more>](#)

Election campaign enters final stages, PVV under fire

Party leaders continued their war of words on Friday, with just four days of campaigning to go before the general election on June 9. In particular the PVV came under fire. PVV leader Geert Wilders said in an interview with the Telegraaf that Labour party leader Job Cohen had endangered Wilders' personal safety by saying he was a danger to the state. (www.dutchnews.nl; 6/4/2010) [Read more>](#)