



## **The General Assembly of the Belgian Business Chamber**

On September 15<sup>th</sup> the Belgian Business Chamber held its General Assembly. The Members of the BBC gathered at the Jan III Sobieski Hotel. The Board of Directors was represented by Mr. Maciej Bogucki, Mrs. Joanna Karniol, Mr. Pierre Wautelet. The Secretary of the Board was Mrs. Małgorzata Napierała-Vincent.

### **Closure of the BBC Association**

Due to the change of the legal structure from the Association to an Employers' Union, the old organization had to be closed. In an open ballot, the Members voted unanimously for the change to the new legal structure.

### **The General Assembly of the Employers' Union**

After the break the new Belgian Business Chamber - the Employer's Union - held its General Assembly. In a secret ballot, the Members of the BBC chose the New Board of Directors. The votes spread out as follows:

Annick Van Hool (35)  
Marc Cottyn (32)  
Mik Kuczkiewicz (32)  
Philippe Van Hellemont (32)  
Andrzej Dominiewski (30)  
Ptryk Depta (28)  
Jarosław Nowicki (26)  
Elżbieta Strojny (22)

After the General Assembly the Members and their guests were invited to relax and mix at the Monthly Meeting sponsored by Jan III Sobieski Hotel. During this evening the new Members of the Chamber – BSJP, Szot-IT had the opportunity to present their company. The new BBC website, designed by Mr. Tomasz Wielgus and created by Mr. Przemysław Szot was presented. Mrs. Clotilde Simonis-Gorska presented a small exhibition of young Polish artists who cooperate with her Latająca Galeria.

On September 22<sup>nd</sup> the Board Meeting of the Belgian Business Chamber – Employers' Union choose its new Board. Three members of the board presented their candidatures for president and vice-president : Marc Cottyn, Jarosław Nowicki, Philippe Van Hellemont.

Two members of the board presented their candidature for Treasurer : Elżbieta Strojny, Annick Van Hool.



All Members of the board voted by secret ballot. The votes for President and Vice-President spread as follows :

Marc Cottyn – 7 votes

Jarosław Nowicki – 6 votes

Philippe Van Hellemont – 1 vote

The votes for Treasurer spread out as follows :

Elżbieta Strojny – 4 votes

Annick Vn Hool – 4 votes

Due to the same number of votes, the election for the Treasurer was repeated. For the second time the votes spread out in the same manner. Annick Van Hool decided to resign in Elzbieta Strojny's favour. Elżbieta Strojny was chosen for a Treasure.

The present Board is composed as follows :

- President – Marc Cottyn
- Vice-President – Jarosław Nowicki
- Treasurer – Elżbieta Strojny
- Patryk Depta
- Andy Dominiewski
- Mik Kuczkiewicz
- Philippe Van Hellemont
- Annick Van Hool