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# Chairman's Pen



In this issue of the Territorial Newsletter on Europe, we have given spotlight on Poland. This is part of our focus on India-CEE (Central and East Europe) relations. Poland is a country in Central Europe sharing border with key European economies such as Germany, and Czech Republic and important CIS countries such as Belarus, Ukraine and Russia. Due to its strategic location and natural resources it is of great importance for India. India already has a cordial diplomatic and business relation with the country with a significant number of Polish investors present in India. Infact last year only (2014), both countries

celebrated 60 years of India-Poland diplomatic relations. However there are still scopes for greater business to business interactions. This edition tries to focus on these aspects.

The main section carries excerpts from an interview with the His Excellency, Mr. Tomasz Lukaszuk, Ambassador of Poland. The interview focused on sectors that could be of interest for both India and Poland.

I hope that this newsletter will be insightful for our readers and I hope they enjoy reading it.

### T S Bhasin

# **EU Territorial Committee Chairman's Note**



In this edition of the 'Newsletter on Europe', we focus on India's growing relationship with the Poland, a country in Central Europe. The country has one of the most stable democracies in Europe with a stable growth rate. The country is also strategically located between Western Europe and CIS countries and is a significant participant in the European value chain. With India, the country shares a very cordial diplomatic relationship as well as business ties. There is still much interest within Polish investors

to invest in India. The newsletter features a section on interview conducted with the Ambassador of Poland, H. E. Mr. Tomsz Lukaszu.

We are hopeful that the information provided in the newsletter will be useful for our readers.

### R P Jhalani





### **EU Section: Basic Facts**

**Countries:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom (UK), Turkey

**Area**: 4, 324, 782 Sq. km

**Population**: 511, 434, 812

GDP: USD 18.15 trillion

Climate: cold temperate; potentially subarctic in the north to temperate; mild wet winters; hot dry summers in the south

**Natural resources**: Iron ore, natural gas, petroleum, coal, copper, lead, zinc, bauxite, uranium, potash, salt, hydropower, timber

# **Country Focus- Poland**

# Excerpts from the Conversation with Ambassador of Poland, H. E, Mr. Tomasz Lukaszuk

In December, a team from EEPC India went and met His Excellency, Mr. Tomasz Lukaszuk, Ambassador of Poland to
discuss prospects of more business to business collaboration between India and Poland in

engineering sector.

During the interview, the EEPC team stressed on SME collaborations between the two countries, since SMEs are the backbones of Indian engineering sector. Mr. Lukaszuk pointed out that within the traditional sectors, ship building can be a major area of collaboration between the two countries.

Another possible area of collaboration as mentioned by Mr. Lukaszuk was agricultural processing and food processing. He stated that the Government of Poland has already promised of partnerships with the government of Punjab in this sector underlining needs to focus on

advanced technology, research and development in agriculture and food processing.

Mr. Lukaszuk also mentioned that mining and energy as another possible area of collaboration. Poland can technologically assist India in lignite and coal mining efforts. Energy obviously is important looking at India's growing need for power and collaborations in the field of coal based energy can be one of the options given the natural abundance of coal in both countries and Poland's expertise in coal based energy. However, keeping in mind the recent United Nation's Paris Climate Summit, 2015, he also stressed on collaborations in terms of renewable energy, waste management, water management and biogas.

When asked about how Poland can help India's bid to clean its energy and move towards sustainable development, Mr. Lukaszuk mentioned about Poland's GREENEVO project. During the 14<sup>th</sup> UN Conference for changes in climate, Poznan, 2008, the Ministry of Environment prepared the Green technology Accelerator Project (GREENEVO). The project aims towards international transfer of environmentally friendly technologies developed in Poland. The technology



transfers are done after identifying the needs of the developing countries participating in the project. This increases the efficiency of green technology transfer. The programme is targeted mainly towards micro and small enterprises.

In his concluding remarks, Mr. Lukaszuk stated that technological and scientific cooperation can indeed be an important field of collaboration between the two countries and both countries should look towards signing more agreements in these fields. He also stated that India remains a preferred export destination for Polish investors. Currently Polish investment in India's engineering and manufacturing sector is around \$ 240 million which they seek to double in the next seven years.

With this the interview was concluded and the EEPC India team is very thankful to the Ambassador for giving his precious time to us.

# **Trade Trend Analysis- India-EU**

The top 5 EU nations which had the highest demand for Indian engineering products during September 2015 in absolute values include:

Country	Export in November 2014 (USD million)	Export in November 2015 (USD million)	Growth (%)
Germany	170.04	147.09	-13.50
Italy	126.81	107.04	-15.59
Turkey	126.75	101.72	-19.74
France	82.92	88.09	6.23
Netherlands	70.67	73.04	3.36

India's engineering exports to Belgium has garnered the maximum increase in November 2015 over November 2014.

# Some Trends in engineering exports to EU in November 2015

Exports of engineering products to EU in November 2015 decreased by 37.91% compared to November 2014. In value terms, exports decreased from USD 1456.00 million to USD 904.00 million. During November 2015 EU's share in total Indian engineering exports remained at 19.85%

On the basis of the export data of November 2015, the EU countries which feature in the top 25 export destinations for India include UK, Germany, France, Italy, Turkey, Netherlands, Belgium and France.

France has experienced the maximum growth rate in the November 2015 of over 6.23%.

Top 10 panels exported to EU in November 2015 include

Name of the Panel	Export in November 2014 (USD million)	Export in November 2015 (USD million)	Growth (%)
Products of iron and steel	148.10	113.36	-23.46
Aircrafts, spacecrafts and	492.40	95.09	-80.92
parts			
Iron and steel	134.11	92.30	-31.17
Auto components and parts	100.83	91.65	-9.11



Motor vehicles and cars	82.40	85.17	3.36
Electric machinery	93.05	81.86	-12.02
Industrial machinery	64.51	65.22	1.11
IC engines and parts	59.46	52.27	-43.91
Medical and scientific	43.04	24.14	-43.19
instruments			
Aluminium and its products	41.19	22.20	-47.03

# **European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Section: Basic Facts**

Countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland.

**Area**: 5, 29, 600 Sq. km

**Population**: 13, 589, 956

GDP: USD 623.5 billion

Climate: cold temperate; potentially subarctic in the north to temperate; mild wet winters; hot

dry summers in the south

Natural resources: Natural gas, petroleum, coal, metals

# **Trade Trend Analysis-India-EFTA**

Country-wise exports of India to the EFTA region are given below. As is evident from the below figure exports to almost all EFTA countries have experienced a fall except Iceland.

Country	Export in November 2014 (USD million)	Export in November 2015 (USD million)	Growth (%)
Switzerland	19.75	12.35	-37.47
Norway	3.99	3.11	-22.08
Iceland	0.04	0.08	88.72
Leichtenstein	0.01	0.03	280.68

Between November 2014 and November 2015, engineering exports to EFTA experienced a decline of 34.64%, from USD 23.79 million to USD 15.55 million.

Top 10 panels exported to EFTA in November 2015 include

Name of the Panel	Export in November 2014 (USD million)	Export in November 2015 (USD million)	Growth (%)
Aircrafts and spacecrafts	2.24	2.36	5.63
Industrial Machinery	4.11	2.03	-50.46
Electrical machinery	2.06	1.98	-3.76



Products of iron and steel	1.93	1.57	-18.74
Medical and scientific	0.63	0.70	9.78
instruments			
Iron and steel	0.76	0.54	-29.59
Aluminium and its products	0.65	0.53	-17.83
Auto components	0.26	0.39	48.95
Air condition and refrigeration	1.10	0.34	-69.02
instruments			

### **News in Focus**

# India, EU to meet over free trade agreement in January

Aiming to put their sometimes-difficult relationship behind them, India and the European Union (EU) will try and open a new chapter in bilateral ties, with their officials expected to sit down in January to take stock of their long-pending free-trade pact. "We are now in the process of opening a new page in our relations," said Tomasz Kozlowski, the EU's new ambassador to India.

Link: <a href="http://www.livemint.com/Politics/gC5XnBQZ70jZdMOhFxfgcO/India-EU-to-meet-over-free-trade-agreement-in-January.html">http://www.livemint.com/Politics/gC5XnBQZ70jZdMOhFxfgcO/India-EU-to-meet-over-free-trade-agreement-in-January.html</a>

### Brexit will set UK back £11bn in EU trade costs, research finds

Britain would be landed with £11bn in new tariffs if it left the EU and did not get a free trade agreement, according to the leader of the group campaigning to stay in.

Link: http://www.theguardian.com/politics/2015/dec/16/brexit-uk-11bn-extra-costs-eu-trade-research

# New EU trade mark directive published

The final text of the new EU trade mark directive has been published and will enter into force in January 2016.

Link: http://www.managingip.com/Article/3516721/New-EU-Trade-Mark-Directive-published.html

# EU trade case: 120 companies, associations to participate in MIP expiry review

The EU Commission provided a short registration deadline for solar PV companies and associations to participate as an interested party in the expiry review for the EU price undertaking.

Link: <a href="http://www.pv-magazine.com/news/details/beitrag/eu-trade-case--120-companies--associations-to-participate-in-mip-expiry-review">http://www.pv-magazine.com/news/details/beitrag/eu-trade-case--120-companies--associations-to-participate-in-mip-expiry-review</a> 100022550/#ixzz3vh4LJfFc

# US warns Europe over granting market economy status to China

Washington has warned Brussels against granting China 'market economy status', saying the long-sought trade concession could hamper efforts to prevent Chinese companies flooding US and European markets with unfairly cheap goods.

Link: http://www.ft.com/intl/cms/s/0/a7d12aea-a715-11e5-955c-1e1d6de94879.html#axzz3vh2SMHWC





# **Upcoming Events in EEA**

Date of the event	Name of the Event	Location	Industry
21-24 January	Polagra-Premiery	Poznan, Poland	Agricultural mechanization
02-05 February	BUDMA	Poznan, Poland	International construction fair
23-27 February	Metav 2016	Dusseldorf, Germany	Industrial Machinery
09-10 March	Smart Systems Integration	Munich, Germany	Computer products, consumer electronics and Industrial machinery
05-07 April	South East European Exhibition and Congress on Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy	Sofia, Bulgaria	Energy and environment
05-07 April	Save the Planet-Waste management and recycling exhibition and conference	Sofia, Bulgaria	Energy and environment
05-07 April	LiftBalkans	Sofia, Bulgaria	Elevators and escalators, construction, electronics and electrical machinery
05-07 April	Smart Cities- South East European Conference and Exhibitions	Sofia, Bulgaria	Automobile and transportation, electronics and electrical, energy and environment



# **Tender Information in EEA**

# **Contract Notices**

TED Reference	Title	Link
<u>459818-2015</u>	Switzerland-Basle: Electron microscopes	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 818-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459801-2015	Norway-Oslo: Office furniture	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 801-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459773-2015	Norway-Trondheim: Video-conferencing equipment	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 773-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
<u>459751-2015</u>	Norway-Bodø: Computer equipment and supplies	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 751-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459750-2015	Norway-Ås: Furniture (incl. office furniture), furnishings, domestic appliances (excl. lighting) and cleaning products	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 750-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
<u>459700-2015</u>	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia- Skopje: Parts of other vehicles	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 700-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459563-2015	United Kingdom-Treharris: Standpipe valves	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 563-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
<u>459435-2015</u>	Italy-Reggio Emilia: Passenger cars	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 435-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
<u>459434-2015</u>	Luxembourg-Strassen: Communications infrastructure	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 434-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459433-2015	Croatia-Čilipi: Substation equipment	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 433-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459432-2015	United Kingdom-London: Industrial machinery	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 432-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459708-2015	Norway-Bærums Verk: Radiation monitors	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 708-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459745-2015	Norway-Sandnes: Chassis	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 745-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459743-2015	Norway-Oslo: Plumbing equipment	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 743-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
459429-2015	Germany-Friedberg: Liquid dielectric transformers	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 429-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0
<u>459426-2015</u>	Austria-Vienna: Electrotechnical equipment	http://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:459 426-2015:TEXT:EN:HTML&src=0

For more contract notices and notice by country, Please register with EU Tenders Electronics Daily and follow the link: <a href="http://ted.europa.eu/TED/browse/browseByBO.do">http://ted.europa.eu/TED/browse/browseByBO.do</a>

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