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## PRESS RELEASE

### YES and Eyprom Foundation sign a MoU

**A**licante, Spain, April 9, 2010 – YES- the European Confederation of Young Entrepreneurs and the Eyprom Foundation signed today a Memorandum of Understanding, which encompasses a variety of fields and actions and lays the basis for future cooperation between the two organizations.

**T**he MoU was signed by the YES President, Mr. Ivan Sempere, and the Eyprom Foundation President, Mr. Roberto Francia, during the EXECOM Meeting of YES that was taking place in Alicante, Spain.

**B**oth YES and the Eyprom Foundation share the goal of promoting a stronger role for young professionals and leaders within our societies. The two parties established three broad areas of action: to act international level by promoting common values and principles; to facilitate cooperation between the parties at a board level; to encourage link between their members and fellows.

**A**s a first outcome of the signed MoU, YES members will be invited to join a team of selected European young professionals and leaders during their forthcoming visit to Russia, to take place during the Belgian Presidency of the European Union (2<sup>nd</sup> semester 2010). The initiative, which is aimed at facilitating exchanges of ideas and building partnership opportunities between European and Russian young leaders, is officially supported by HE Herman Von Rompuy, President of the European Council.

**YES – European Confederation of Young Entrepreneurs** is the main association of young entrepreneurs in Europe (representing around 40.000 young entrepreneurs under 40) and aims at improving the economic and social performance of young entrepreneurship in Europe. Members include major national associations of young entrepreneurs in the field of industry, trade and services from European countries both from and outside the EU.

The **Eyprom Foundation** is a no-profit, politically independent legal body, officially acknowledged as a Foundation of public interest by the Kingdom of Belgium. It was

established in Brussels by a group of young professionals coming from different EU countries and having different backgrounds. The Eyprom Foundation's mission is to "promote merit, the spirit of innovation and a stronger role for young professionals within the EU and in third countries". Through its activities, the Foundation aims at establishing a network of high-level young professionals at the European level and liaising with similar groups living and working in third countries which have a strategic importance for the European Union.