

Invitation

FIME, EK, Finpro and Finland Chamber of Commerce have the pleasure of inviting you to

IRAN – Seminar on economy and prospects for trade and doing business

On Friday, November 13, 2015, 10:00–13:00 hrs In Finpro auditorium, Porkkalankatu 1, Ruoholahti, Helsinki

Iran is world's 18th largest economy with a young, educated population of almost 80 million and immense resources of natural gas, oil and minerals. Lifting of EU sanctions and suspension of US sanctions would mean that Iran's 415 billion USD economy is returning to be part of the global economy. Iran is probably the last big and relatively untapped emerging market opening for western businesses with significant possibilities for fast growth. Iran offers opportunities for companies in sectors such as cleantech – especially energy efficiency, the environment and water management; agriculture & food products; medicines and healthcare technologies; manufacturing, logistics, consumer goods and ICT.

Seminar speakers:

- Welcoming words by Mr. Matti Anttonen, Under-secretary of State, External Economic Relations, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
- Opening words by H.E. Mr. Kambiz Jalali, Ambassador of Islamic Republic of Iran to Finland
- Keynote address Dr. Ahmad Jamali, General Director of Investment of Ministry of Economic Affairs and Finance of Iran
- Representative of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Mine and Agriculture (ICCIMA)
- H.E. Mr. Harri Kämäräinen, Ambassador of Finland to Iran

Registration & coffee will start at 9:30 hrs. We kindly ask you to confirm your participation in the seminar by Monday, November 10, 2015 by filling in the registration form through <u>this</u> <u>link</u>.

The event is organized in collaboration by the Finnish Institute in the Middle East (FIME), Finpro, Finland Chamber of Commerce and Confederation of Finnish Industries EK.

- <u>Finnish Institute in the Middle East</u> is a research institute, supported by the Ministry of Culture and Education of Finland and carries out research on Middle Eastern languages, cultures and societies, and organizes courses, seminars and conferences.
- <u>Confederation of Finnish Industries EK</u> is a voice of business in decision making in all horizontally relevant policy areas nationally and in the EU. EK represents businesses across all sectors, has 27 member associations and 16,000 member companies, of which 96% are SME's It represents its members.
- <u>Finpro</u> helps Finnish SMEs go international, encourages foreign direct investment in Finland and promotes tourism.
- <u>Finland Chamber of Commerce</u> work to create a favourable operational environment for businesses across Finland. Finland Chamber of Commerce, 19 regional chambers of commerce and their international FinnCham network create important global

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