

15TH PLENARY MEETING OF THE CLUB OF THREE
European Business: Good Enough to be Global ?
Schloß Biebrich, Wiesbaden, 2nd/3rd February 2007

AGENDA

Friday 2 February

16.00 – 16.45 **REGISTRATION & COFFEE**

16.45 **WELCOME by Lord Weidenfeld**

17.00 – 18.30 **SESSION I: Does ownership matter?**

- Strategic industries and foreign ownership: which of our industries warrant protection and from whom ?
- Creating European champions: the best way to achieve critical mass ?
- Private Equity and roving capital: Locusts or Catalysts ?

Chair: **Jean Marie Colombani**

Speakers: **Dr. Josef Ackermann**
Louis Schweitzer
Sir Ronald Grierson

18.30 – 19.30 **SPECIAL SESSION**

Chair & Welcome: **Minister President Roland Koch**

Keynote Speech: **Minister Peer Steinbrück**
Federal Minister of Finance

Growth and Responsibility – Key Economic and Financial
Policy Issues of the German G7/G8-Presidency

20.00 **DINNER**

Chair: **Lord Weidenfeld**

Keynote Speech: **Minister President Roland Koch: “Europe’s role in a
globalised world”**

Saturday 3 February

8.30 – 9.00 **COFFEE**

9.00 – 10.45 **SESSION II: Energy Security**

- Does the EU have a serious energy strategy ? Should it ?
- How many European energy companies should there be ?
- Do we need a new grand bargain with Russia ? What are the alternatives ?

Chair: **Lord Simon**
Speakers: **Lord Kerr**
 Joachim Bitterlich
 Reinier Zwitserloot

10.45 – 11.45 **COFFEE**

11.15 – 13.00 **SESSION III: Has Brussels served its purpose ?**

- Can we maintain our levels of welfare and at the same time be globally competitive ?
- Do we need a transatlantic free trade area? Should this incorporate Russia long-term ?
- Did EU Enlargement pay off ?

Chair: **Sir Peter Ricketts**
Speakers: **Mario Monti**
 Jan Krzysztof Bielecki
 Jean Claude Trichet

13.00 **LUNCH**

Speaker: **Roger Buerger:** “The Documenta 12 in 2007”