Press Release

[illegible], Belgium – [illegible]

[illegible] successfully hosts first capacity building with renowned "Energy Crisis" training for young accountancy professionals

The Federation of Accountants in Commerce and Industry (FEC) successfully completed the second edition of its **Accountant "Energy Crisis and Transitions" training** on [illegible] in Brussels. Bringing together a selected group of young accountancy professionals from across Europe.

Following the successful launch of the initiative in [illegible], the FEC has further developed its capacity-building programme to support professional readiness in the sector by strengthening a shared understanding of European policy-making and stakeholder dynamics, and deepening the balance of technical skills in finance.

The [illegible] participants from [illegible], Germany, Finland, Hungary, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and Ukraine, reflecting the diversity of the European region's business culture and the wide range of professional backgrounds.

Two days of knowledge-sharing and hands-on exploration of the policy making

Over two days, participants were guided through the functioning of European institutions and the evolving policy framework governing decarbonisation, the energy transition, competitiveness, innovation, networking sessions and study visits, offering a unique opportunity to connect theoretical knowledge with practical insights.

The training opened with an introduction to FEC and the European energy and climate policy landscape by **Senior Policy Secretary General at FEC**, setting the scene for discussions on the wider challenges, including competitiveness, [illegible] resilience and the role of accountancy in ensuring transparent and accurate [illegible].

Contributions were delivered by high-level experts including **Milan Bongaerts (DG ENER)** and **Adrian Nicu (CINEA)**, highlighting the support mechanisms and funding opportunities for accountancy **Alexander Zhang (FEMA), Blake Agnew (EAFA), Cynthia Gordon (Accountants Advocacy Council), Pedro Dias Ferreira (Deloitte), Anthony Crossfill** and **Katharine Hall (Deloitte Europe)**, providing participants with a fuller comprehensive overview of the regulatory and stakeholder landscape.

A central component of the training was the visit to the European Parliament (EP) [illegible], where participants met with representatives of the secretariats of key committees, including **Committee the Low Carbon Industries** and **Industry Research Energy** as well as **Attendees Executive from the Institute of Economics, Environment and Energy Studies**. This session specifically allowed