

EBAN partners with Cisco Entrepreneurs in Residence (Cisco EIR) to provide the "Missing Link" between Corporations, Entrepreneurs and Angel Investors

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EBAN is pleased to announce a new cooperation with <u>Cisco Entrepreneurs in Residence</u> (<u>EIR</u>), the corporate development program for startups and scaleups from <u>Cisco.</u>, with the aim to connect Cisco EIR to companies across Europe and build a closer relationship between the two organizations. EBAN and Cisco EIR will be working together to make the "Missing Link" between Corporations, Entrepreneurs and Angel Investors in Europe.

The EBAN-Cisco EIR program outlines several areas for closer collaboration, the main ones being the following:

- φ The promotion of Cisco EIR via EBAN communication channels, so that the EBAN, <u>ABAN</u> and <u>MBAN</u> community is aware of the opportunities the program provides.
- φ The participation of Cisco EIR in EBAN's flagship annual events, including special Cisco EIR workshops during the 2016 EBAN Winter Congress (November 28-30 in Zagreb, Croatia) and the 2017 EBAN Annual Congress (June 7-9 in Malaga, Spain).

EBAN is pleased to expand and help promote the Cisco EIR program across Europe throughout its extensive network of international business angels, other early stage investors and startup entrepreneurs. EBAN is also to initiate related activities with sister organizations in Africa (ABAN) and the Middle East (MBAN).

EBAN (European Trade Association for Business Angels, Seed funds and other early stage market players) is the unique European federation of national and regional business angel networks throughout Europe and the primary source of information and research studies on the business angel market for European policy makers.

EBAN represents the interests of more than 170 angel networks and early stage investors in Europe and beyond. Established in 1999 by a group of pioneer angel networks in Europe with the collaboration of the European Commission and EURADA, EBAN represents a sector estimated to invest 6.1 billion Euros a year and playing a vital role in Europe's future, notably in the funding of SMEs. EBAN fuels Europe's growth through the creation of wealth and jobs. EBAN is also proud to have helped incubate ABAN, the African Business Angels Network and MBAN, the MENA Business Angel Network.

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