

## SUPPORT

The International Council for Capital Formation is a unique European think tank in its focus on public policies to promote saving and investment in the private sector. Reducing tax, regulatory, anti-trust, and trade barriers will promote business investment, strong job growth, and enhance countries' competitiveness.

The ICCF brings the message to policymakers, the media, and the public around the globe that economic strength and stability depend upon well-thought-out economic and environmental policies to promote capital formation. Its mission includes strengthening ties between EU, US, and business leaders internationally.

ICCF shares good practices around the world on creating opportunities for economic growth, job creation, retirement security, and enhanced environmental quality. In this way the ICCF will be a catalyst for dynamic changes worldwide to improve business as well as living conditions in both developed and developing countries.



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## ICCF PRIORITIES

- **Improving** global business conditions by promoting policies that encourage saving, investment and retirement security
- **Encouraging** the development of cost-effective regulatory and environmental policies
- **Raising awareness** with policymakers, the media, and the public of the importance of ensuring an atmosphere hospitable to the growth of all sectors of industry
- **Developing** closer cooperation between the EU, US, and international business community
- **Promoting** tax policies that reduce the cost of capital for business investment
- **Enhancing** retirement security by promoting pension policy reform and private saving

## RESEARCH

ICCF policy research focuses on elements necessary for a dynamic, nurturing climate for business expansion, international competitiveness, and job growth.

The ICCF brings together top academics from around the globe, experts from internationally recognized macroeconomic forecasting firms, policymakers, business executives, and the media. In this way, ICCF works as a traditional “think tank” which both generates and evaluates new research and analysis on tax, regulatory, environmental, intellectual property rights, retirement security, and trade policy issues and explores their public policy ramifications.

## INFORMATION AND AWARENESS RAISING

Influencing public policy requires that ideas reach people in government, business, academia and the media. The ICCF circulates its publications, commentary, and ideas around the globe to reach public officials on both sides of the Atlantic as well as in the Pacific Rim.

It organizes forums, sets up meetings, and ICCF officers also appear in the various written and broadcast media.

The ICCF website [www.iccfglobal.org](http://www.iccfglobal.org) aims at providing both key decision-makers and the general public information which is of vital importance to their work and features its publications, upcoming Center events, and interesting links.

## COALITION BUILDING

The ICCF seeks to obtain broad support from various stakeholders around the world and in the European Union. It liaises with Members of the European Parliament, Member States’ Officials and the European Commission as well as other relevant parties. By bringing together representatives from the public and private sectors for focused discussions on specific policy initiatives, the ICCF intends to support industrial competitiveness and economic prosperity.

## ADVOCACY

Officers and members of ICCF’s Board of Advisors and Scholars participate in official hearings and consultation meetings as well as in informal dialogues with officials to comment on specific proposed legislation and policies. ICCF officers advise policymakers in the various EU institutions, as well as in the Member States. In this way, the ICCF contributes to policy and legislative processes at the EU and Member States’ level.

ICCF’s blend of research by top academicians and internationally recognized experts combined with its information outreach and advocacy provide it with a unique opportunity to stimulate the debate and to influence the direction of public policy in the European Union and elsewhere.