



# UPDATE FROM CRF

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**ROLE:**

## **CROSSING BOUNDARIES, BUILDING RELATIONS**

- ✓ Create Opportunities
- ✓ Exchange Experiences
- ✓ Share Information
- ✓ Support

Our aim is to provide members and other delegates with the opportunity to review the latest developments in corporate business registers internationally and exchange experiences and information on the present and future operation of corporate business registration systems.

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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## **MEMBERSHIP**

### **61 JURISDICTIONS, 5 CONTINENTS, OPEN TO ALL**



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	<b>ROMANIA</b>	<b>ZAMBIA</b>



**The 2016 Corporate Registers Forum conference was held jointly with the annual conference of the European Commerce Registers Forum and hosted by Companies House, UK.**

**It was held in Cardiff from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016.**

**Included a Study Tour of Companies House.**

**ECRF | CRF  
CONFERENCE**  
CARDIFF | UK  
9 - 13 MAY  
2016



## 2016 CONFERENCE DISCUSSIONS INCLUDED:

- ✓ The International Business Registers Report 2016
- ✓ Business Registry and Legal Reform, Reducing Burdens
- ✓ Beneficial ownership
- ✓ Identity Theft, Fraud and Links with Law Enforcement Authorities / Prosecution / Disqualified Directors
- ✓ Transparency v Privacy (What data is collected and published)
- ✓ Regional Breakout sessions
- ✓ Biggest changes/challenges - top 10 issues affecting

# CRF REGIONAL WORKSHOP IN SINGAPORE

The CRF held its first technical workshop from 14th to 15th March 2016.

The focus of the workshop was on electronic corporate registries and new e-business registration initiatives that leverage on information and digital technology.

The speakers shared best practices on corporate registration reforms, developing online corporate registration.

## FUTURE PLANS:

- ✓ Increase membership
- ✓ Active role in the benchmarking survey
- ✓ Develop technical workshops / webinars
- ✓ Promote and Develop Regional Chapters
- ✓ Improve communication and sharing good practice
- ✓ Continue to develop the links with IACA, ASORLAC and ECRF
- ✓ Provide technical input to UNICTRAL on relevant Law Models



# NEXT CRF CONFERENCE: HONG KONG MARCH 2017

Programme details & Hotel accommodation will be announced at a  
dedicated website





*Thank  
You*

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