



## **Alabama Opportunities with NATO, Belgium & the EU**

**Monday • February 26, 2007 • 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

**at the Chamber of Commerce of Huntsville/Madison County • 225 Church Street**

NAITA and the Birmingham Export Assistance Center welcome **Camille E. Sailer, Regional Senior Commercial Officer, Belgium**, who will discuss NATO and other aerospace/defense opportunities. Her office has just hosted a very successful defense trade mission in Belgium, and organized a well-attended NATO webinar with U.S. companies. Come learn more about these lucrative opportunities in Belgium.

### **WHY BELGIUM, NATO & THE EU?**

In 1948, Belgium signed the Treaty of Brussels with Great Britain, France, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg, and a year later became one of the founding members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). Both NATO (since 1966) and the European Union (EU) have their headquarters in Brussels; SHAPE (Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, NATO's military headquarters) is in the south of the country, near Mons.

Belgium remains a strong proponent of both NATO and European defense efforts. Belgium also is a strong advocate of strengthening economic and political integration within the EU.

Belgium supported the expansion of NATO and EU membership to the new democracies of central and eastern Europe and is actively engaged in the Organization for Security and Cooperation (OSCE) in Europe. Belgium served as the Chair-in-Office of the OSCE in 2006.

**Ms. Sailer** will present firsthand information on doing business in these markets and export opportunities for Alabama companies. Ms. Sailer has been recognized by international organizations, including the American Chamber of Commerce in Korea and the U.S. Chamber of Trade in Stuttgart, for her work in promoting global business connections, and has an honorary degree from the Varoslav-the-Wise University (Novgorod, Russia) for her work on international legal cooperation. Ms. Sailer is the recipient of the Commercial Service Director General's Leadership in Innovation award for establishing CS Korea as a "Center of Innovation". She also has been honored with the prestigious Stephen Kaminski Award for "exercising the greatest degree of diplomatic skill and ability in furthering America's trade relations."

### **BRIEFING RESERVATION FORM- NATO, Belgium & the EU**

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***There is no charge to attend this briefing; however, reservations are requested. • Seating is limited.***

- I will attend the briefing on February 26.
- I cannot attend but would like to schedule a one-on-one appointment to discuss trade opportunities.

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