



“The Voice of Business in the Black Sea and Caspian”

**UBCCE FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY
TO BE HELD IN ISTANBUL**

PRESS RELEASE

Istanbul, 10 March 2008

UBCCE, the first independent and voluntary business organization of the Black Sea and Caspian Region is holding its First General Assembly in Istanbul, Turkey, **on March 11, 2008, at Istanbul Swissotel**. The opening speech will be delivered by Arzuhan Dogan Yalcindag, Chairwoman of the Board of TUSIAD.

Only the First Session of the Meeting is opened to the press.
Working language of the Meetings is English

Enclosed: Agenda and Program of the First General Assembly of UBCCE

UBCCE is the first independent and voluntary business organization of the Black Sea and Caspian Region and unites presently 16 non-governmental, nationally representative, central, voluntary, horizontal and apolitical private business organizations from 12 countries of the Region. The Union aims to become “The Voice of Business in the Black Sea and Caspian” by assisting the economic and social development of the Region. New members from Austria, Germany and Ukraine are expected to join the Union in this First General Assembly on March, 11.

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**Union of Black Sea and Caspian Confederation of Enterprises
(UBCCE)**

First General Assembly Meeting

Istanbul, 11 March 2008

Swissotel Bosphorus, Neuchatel Hall

11 March 2008, Tuesday

General Assembly Meeting, Swissotel Bosphorus, Neuchatel Hall

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| 09:00 - 09:30 | Registration and Welcome Coffee |
| 09:30 - 09:45 | First Session (Opened) : Welcome Remark
By Arzuhan Doğan Yalçındağ, President, UBCCE & TÜSİAD |
| 09:45 – 12:45 | Second Session (Closed) / Meeting of Presidents

Chair, Arzuhan Doğan Yalçındağ, President, UBCCE & TÜSİAD
Discussion and Decision on Agenda Items |
| 12:45 - 14:00 | Open Buffet Lunch |

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