



Australian Swiss
Chamber of Commerce

NEWSLETTER

summer 2025



Dear Members & Friends

As many of us break for the summer, we reflect on the first half of 2025, which has been a busy and memorable one for AusCham - marked by a number of notable events, engaging discussions and outstanding networking opportunities, all in celebration of our **35th anniversary**.

From thought-provoking panels to casual catch-ups, we've enjoyed connecting members across industries and borders. Some of the events held:

- 26th February: [Expat Pathways: Your Guide to Relocation, Settlement, and Success](#)
- 25th March: [“Hot Flashes & Cold Truths” – an Event Addressing Menopause Personally and Professionally](#)
- 1st April: [Network. Meet. Connect. Geneva Q2 2025](#)
- 8th April: [“Great Affinities” Exhibition and Tour – Geneva](#)
- 9th April: [It’s Time to Network! – Zurich](#)
- 6th May: [Unlocking Australia’s Market Opportunities – Featuring Switzerland’s Federal Councillor Guy Parmelin](#)
- 13th May: [In It to Gin It: Celebrate the End of the Election! - Geneva](#)
- 21st May: [Annual General Meeting 2025 & "Decanting Global Markets"](#)
- 17th June: [Financial Times and the Australian Swiss Chamber of Commerce - Roundtable](#)
- 24th June: [Network. Meet. Connect. – Geneva](#)

As always, we welcome your suggestions regarding relevant topics and speakers and look forward to seeing you and your colleagues at a future event. Please visit our [membership](#) page on the AusCham website, and learn more about [fellow AusCham members](#).

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to making this milestone year special so far — and stay tuned for even more to come in the second half of 2025!



Kind regards

Vicki Tanner
 President @Australian Swiss Chamber of
 Commerce

upcoming events

Save the Dates - more information/how to register via the links below. Look out for more details to follow by [joining our mailing list](#);

- **26th August** - Geneva: Networking drinks
- **2nd September** - [Lausanne](#): "*From Boardroom to Vineyard: Unlocking Executive Search & Enjoying Fine Wine*" - followed by wine tasting.
- **23rd September** - [Geneva](#): "*Taxes & Tannins*" - followed by wine tasting.
- **25th September - 5th October** - Zurich Film Festival: look out for tickets to

Australian related productions. Program out soon!

- **28th September** - [Munich](#): Business networking at the Oktoberfest with the German Australian Business Council (GABC).
- **16th October** - London: AusCham is proud to be a part of Australian Business in Europe ([ABIE](#)), a network of over 14 organisations across Europe. A special event is being held to mark ABIE's 50 year anniversary since its founding (see below).
- **22nd October** - Zurich: "*AI in Practice: From Fundamentals to Insurance Innovation*".
- **29th October** - [Zurich](#): event with [Glencore](#) featuring Martin Fewings, Head of Investor Relations.
- **25th November** - Zurich: event with [Switzerland Innovation](#)

The [Fondation Burkhardt-Felder](#) is hosting the private collection of contemporary Australian Aboriginal art until 26th October in Môtiers, Neuchatel. On the grounds of the museum is a collection of rare and exclusive motorcars from 19th century until 1980. Together, they offer a unique cultural experience - and highly recommended for art and car enthusiasts!

member news



In June this year, [CSL Behring](#) celebrated an incredible milestone - 25 years in Bern! A special event was held in Bern featuring their CEO, Paul McKenzie, members of the CSL Global Leadership Group, the Board of Directors, Chairman of the Board, **Dr Brian McNamee** (pictured left)

and H.E. Elizabeth Day, Australian Ambassador to Switzerland. Congratulations to one of AusCham's long term corporate members - thank you for your continued support and here's to 25 more years of success and innovation!

welcome

A warm welcome to...

[Daniel Bont](#), Senior Consultant China/Oceania & Internationalisation at [Switzerland Global Enterprise](#), who joins AusCham as an **Advisory Board Member**.



Daniel has over 30 years of management and consulting experience in various industries and positions, predominantly in marketing, sales and business development in the medical equipment industry, ICT, and event management. He has lived and worked for more than 25 years in the Asia-Pacific region with local assignments in Australia and Singapore.

... and to our newest corporate members.



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australian business in europe -
celebrating 50 years

SAVE THE DATE

AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS IN EUROPE
50TH ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16TH, 2025
6:00PM TO 8:00PM GMT

Australia House
STRAND, LONDON WC2B 4LA



AusCham is proud to be a member of Australian Business in Europe ([ABIE](#)) - a network of 14 not-for-profit organisations across the continent, united in promoting stronger trade, investment, and diplomatic ties between Australia and Europe.

In 2025, ABIE marks 50 years since its founding in the UK - a milestone that reflects decades of collaboration and impact.

To celebrate, the Australian Business in Europe Network will host a special event in London on 16th October, bringing together ABIE members from across Europe, ambassadors, government representatives, board members, and business leaders. It promises to be a memorable gathering of those actively shaping Australia–Europe business engagement.

member offers

We are grateful to the [following AusCham members](#) for offering their fellow AusCham members special discounts on their respective products and services.

To access your exclusive member discount codes, please contact us at [AusCham](#).

If your organisation has a special offer you'd like to share with fellow members, we'd love to hear from you—just reach out and we'll help spread the word!

your feedback

How can AusCham help you?

- do you have any ideas for future events?

- for members, do you have any special offers to share with fellow AusCham members?
- would you like to join AusCham as an individual or corporate member? More information on [membership and how to join](#).

Your feedback on how we can better provide our services is important to us. Please contact us at [AusCham](#) and don't forget to follow us on [LinkedIn](#).



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