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Cotecna participates in the Annual Supply Chain Security Management Conference in Interlaken

Cotecna Inspection S.A., Cross-border Research Association (CBRA), HEC University of Lausanne, Swiss Shippers Council, KPMG and MIC Customs Solutions are organizing the annual Supply Chain Security Management Conference, SCSM2008. The conference is to be held at Victoria Jungfrau Hotel, in Interlaken, Switzerland, on January 24th and 25th.

The main theme for SCSM2008 is the European Union Authorized Economic Operator (EU AEO) program that came into force on January 1st this year. The EU AEO programme is open to all operators in the supply chain. To become an EU AEO, the company (such as manufacturers, importers, exporters, distributors, carriers etc) must be certified to prove they have high quality internal processes that will prevent goods in international transport to be tampered with. This can lead to faster clearance times by Customs performing less or no inspections on goods imported or exported. The conference presentations will help the audience to understand the requirements, process, organizational aspects, expectations, benefits and costs of joining the EU AEO program.

There are a total of 15 expert speakers, primarily coming from industry, including but not limited to: Cotecna Inspection S.A., Cisco Systems, Hennes & Mauritz, Philip Morris International, MIC Customs Solutions, Innovative Compliance and KPMG- plus couple of academic speakers. The conference participants come from over 12 countries, representing most sectors in manufacturing, trade and logistics.

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