

city offices in brussels

A key link to strengthen relations between the City of London and EU decision makers

The City Office in Brussels was set up to strengthen relations between the City of London, EU decision-makers and key figures elsewhere in the EU.

The City of London is a global powerhouse and Europe's leading international finance centre, housing many EU and internationally owned companies.

The City Office in Brussels represents the needs of an international financial marketplace which brings economic benefits not only to the UK but to the EU as a whole.

It liaises between the City and both the EU institutions and Member States – strengthening dialogue between them.

It focuses on cross-sector issues in which pan-EU policy making could affect the competitiveness of international financial services and therefore the EU's economic growth. It facilitates wider City contacts by staging networking events and briefing meetings with MEPs, European Commission officials and Member States' representatives.

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The main strategic aims of the Office are

- to help shape the evolution of more effective financial services within the EU – assisting in the creation of a coherent strategy for future growth and development of the single market for financial services;
- to promote the interests of the wider City as a key international marketplace – acting as a focal point in Brussels for UK-based international financial services through informal contacts with decision makers;
- to act as a channel for regular communication between EU officials and MEPs and the international financial services community on matters of collective interest.

The Office was established, following extensive consultation within the industry, by the City of London Corporation as part of its work not just as the provider of local government services but as the City's long term champion.

The work of the Office is steered by a cross-sector Advisory Group of international practitioners, who bring to the table a broad range of experience and market knowledge. The Group meets quarterly, its remit being to help the City strengthen its approach to strategic pan-European issues. The Group is chaired by André Villeneuve.



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