



October 14, 2021

To the Mid-Atlantic – Eurasia Business Council:

On behalf of the Office of International Business Development of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I would like to express our support for the 25th Annual Eurasian -American Innovation Technology Week (RANIT) being hosted by the Mid-Atlantic Eurasia Business Council. The 25th RANIT event will be held in June 2022.

RANIT is the premier event in the Mid-Atlantic region dedicated to Eurasian -American technology cooperation, playing a vital role in fostering trade relations between Commonwealth and Eurasian businesses since its inception in 2003. RANIT represents the culmination of 25 years of effort and events hosted by the Council to encourage Eurasian -American technology cooperation. I am pleased to report a number of Pennsylvania companies that participated in earlier RANIT events are now developing relationships with Eurasian firms and organizations. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania strongly supports the ultimate goal of RANIT: to enable companies based in the U.S. Mid-Atlantic region to enhance their positions in Eurasia and to attract Eurasian businesses to the U.S. Mid-Atlantic region.

As has traditionally been the pivotal focal point during each Spring RANIT, the focus of the 25th RANIT week will be biotechnology, pharmaceutical industry, medical equipment, and life sciences with many sessions devoted to innovations. The 25th RANIT will also include the Eurasian -American Technology & Entrepreneurship Conference, Eurasian Economic Union Session, Eurasian -American Life Sciences Innovation Roundtable, and the Eurasian -American Innovation Technology Commercialization Roundtable.

The goal of the Office of International Business Development is to foster international trade and investment in Pennsylvania. Enhancing Pennsylvania-Eurasian bilateral trade and investment is a priority for us. We are proud to support RANIT and we applaud the efforts of Mid-Atlantic Eurasia Business Council to foster commercial and technological relations between the Commonwealth and Eurasia.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'David Briel'.

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