

ANTONIO BRUFAU NAMED *ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR*

Repsol Chairman, Mr. Antonio Brufau, was granted the 2010 *Entrepreneur of the Year* award by the Federation of Spanish Chambers of Commerce in Europe (FEDECOM). Last Tuesday, 21st June, he received the award from FEDECOM President, Mr. Rosendo Candela.

In its first edition this year, the award rewards the efforts of employers to encourage the internationalisation of Spanish companies. Guests included FEDECOM President, Spanish Chamber of Commerce President in Portugal, Mr. Enrique Santos and the Secretary General for Trade, Mr. Alfredo Bonet.

FEDECOM's award reflects Mr. Antonio Brufau's stewardship of the increasing activity of the Repsol Group outside Spain, with a strong presence in OECD countries, which is set out in the company's strategic plan. The recent important discoveries and agreements made by the company have all contributed to the recognition of Antonio Brufau as entrepreneur of the year.

Mr. Antonio Brufau expressed his gratitude for this recognition from the Federation of Spanish Chambers of Commerce in Europe and highlighted that "the internationalisation of Repsol is a result of the talent and effort of a team of people made up of more than 70 nationalities from all over the world, whom I am honoured to represent."

Repsol operates in more than 30 countries on five continents ranging from exploration and production of hydrocarbons to the sale of oil products and lubricants. Of the more than 40,000 people employed by Repsol, more than half work outside Spain. Repsol is one of the 10 largest private oil companies in the world and the largest in Latin America in terms of assets.

This award adds to Mr. Antonio Brufau's *Global Business Leader Award* from the American Chamber of Commerce in Spain (AmchamSpain), which rewards Spanish and American leaders who have made an outstanding contribution to international business and responsible economic globalisation.

Federation of Spanish Chambers of Commerce in Europe

The Federation of Spanish Chambers of Commerce in Europe is an international non-profit organization, founded in 1996, that brings together the Chambers of Commerce of Spain established in Belgium, Luxembourg, France, Britain, Italy, Portugal and Switzerland. Since June 2002, FEDECOM is also part of the Spanish Chambers of Commerce in Tangier and Casablanca.

Its main objective is to accurately track the initiatives of the European Union with a direct impact on the world of business and the Chambers of Commerce of Spain in Europe.



From left to right: Mr. Enrique Santos (Vice-president FEDECOM), Mr. Alfredo Bonet (Secretary General for Trade), Mr. Antonio Brufau (Chairman Repsol), and Mr. Rosendo Candela (President FEDECOM).