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New clients for Chamber international team

Companies needing services to support their importing and exporting activities are turning to Chamber International to ride out the recession and bring in new business.

The Bradford-based support organisation has just signed up a number of new clients in West Yorkshire, enhancing further its reputation as a centre of excellence in supporting international trade. Chamber International has for years served businesses beyond its Bradford boundaries: it is the formal supplier of international trade support for firms in the Leeds, York and North Yorkshire Chamber areas. The latest crop of companies recognising Chamber International's value includes some national businesses with European offices.

Henry Goodman of Hebden Bridge-based Calrec Audio, said:

“As an international supplier to 25 countries we want to know that the export operation is running smoothly at all times. Chamber International offers Calrec Audio peace of mind, so our staff can concentrate on delivering quality service and not get bogged down in paperwork.”

Calrec Audio is a major supplier of mixing desks for broadcasters and exports to North America, Europe and Asia.

Tim Bailey, head of Chamber International, which is managed out of Bradford Chamber's offices, said:

"We have reprioritised services, extended our operating hours and also 'partnered' with a number of bigger exporters to help them meet cost reduction strategies during the recession. The direct help we give to clients at their premises is proving extremely popular at the moment. Whether its helping them look for savings, training up staff or dealing with thorny Customs issues, the knowledge and experience provided by my team is first-class, and these new key accounts are yet another sign that we're providing the right service to businesses in Yorkshire

Harold Robinson, President of Bradford Chamber of Commerce, said:

“This is another key service provided by Chambers of Commerce that shows businesses can rely on us for essential support. If companies thinking about exporting want to know what to do and what not to do, they should look to Tim and his staff. The fact that those already trading abroad are moving to us from other support bodies shows that Chamber International’s track record is being recognised in new areas.”

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Chamber International works on behalf of Bradford, Leeds and York & North Yorkshire Chambers of Commerce to deliver export documentation and other essential information for those trading internationally.

Notes for editors:

1. Chamber International provides international services to Leeds, Bradford and York & North Yorkshire Chambers of Commerce and Industry. In total, the chambers represent 3,800 businesses at local, regional and national levels of government and a number of other fora.
 2. Each Chamber also provides other key services and representation in its own right and is also an accredited member of the British Chambers of Commerce.
 3. The British Chambers of Commerce is the largest business representative body in the UK, representing, through its network of Approved Chambers, more than 110,000 businesses in all sectors of the economy, and of all sizes.
 4. Chambers of Commerce offer a range of services to members, including international trade advice, export documentation, political lobbying, information advice and networking events, as well as running courses to meet most business needs.
 5. Chamber International is wholly owned by Bradford Chamber of Commerce & Industry.
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