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Dear Ewa, Pawel and Sarah,

Most of the dust has now settled after the ECB2016 Krakow Congress and I understand from our colleagues at TFI that the Congress final accounts have now been agreed. They show a small but useful surplus, which is a great achievement considering how difficult it is to raise sponsorship and trade exhibition money in Poland.

The main purpose of this letter is to thank you all for making the Congress such a successful event. Everyone has commented that your facilities are excellent. However, equally important was the keenness of you and your staff to ensure that the Krakow Congress was a great pleasure to attend. Your catering was excellent, above the standard we achieved during our previous Congress in Edinburgh, which also was appreciated by registrants. Additional facilities that make your venue so attractive were the availability of ample space for people to talk informally, and the provision of coffee, tea and snacks at all times throughout the event. The City of Krakow also should be congratulated for several reasons: for supporting the work of Targi to bring conferences to Krakow; for their help with transport arrangements from hotels to the Congress centre, which worked surprisingly well; and the strict local policy to prevent exploitation of visitors by taxi drivers. In short, congratulations on an outstanding success. Please circulate this letter of appreciation to your staff who worked so hard for us.

I look forward to returning for your Eurobiotech conference next year.

EFB Vice-President and Chair of the ECB2016 Congress Organising Committee

Copies to Caroline, Gema, Tomasz, Karsten and Mathias