

President of DECP speaks at the 60th anniversary of the Suriname employers' organisation VSB

The president of DECP and president and of VNO-NCW (largest Dutch employers' organisation), Bernard Wientjes, spoke at the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the VSB (DECP's partner in Suriname) on March 26, 2010.



In his speech Bernard Wientjes emphasized the importance of an employers' organisation in a globalising world. Wientjes told from his own experience (he is a former board member of a multinational company for ceramic products) how important it is for companies to speak with one voice and to be a member of an organisation which lobbies the government for a good

business climate in the country. Members should be active to build a strong organisation which represents them in discussions with the government and the trade unions.

The VSB also presented a manifesto with its lobby priorities and offered this to the president of Suriname, Ronald Venetiaan.

DECP congratulated the VSB in a short speech and received a 'gratitude award' together with about ten VSB members.



Rene van Essen, Director of VSB, addressing the people invited to the official celebration