

**PBBF ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD
FROM 1.3.2008 TO 28.2.2009**

MEMBERSHIP

Membership increased from 80 to 83.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Four meetings of the Executive Committee were held on 18.3.2008, 23.7.2008, 28.10.2008 and 3.2.2009.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

The 11th AGM was held on 8.3.2008 at the Beach Luxury Hotel, Karachi Marriott Hotel. The meeting was attended by 23 members.

BELGIAN ART: REALITY AND FANTASY

Royal Belgian Embassy organized a Belgian Art: Reality and Fantasy on 13th June 2008 at Alliance Francaise de Karachi. All members were invited.

TALK ON INVESTMENT IN PAKISTAN

Mr.Saleem H.Mandviwalla, Minister of State/Chairman Board of Investment (BOI) addressed members on 24th January, 2009 at Karachi Marriott Hotel on the topic of "Investment in Pakistan". Large number of members alongwith other European Fora, representatives of Print and Electronic Media attended the gathering.

FEDERATION CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY OF BELGIUM

In January, 2009 Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Belgium granted accreditation to PBBF. This recognition is a major achievement for PBBF.

SURVIVAL OF PAKISTAN'S ECONOMY

Dr.Ishrat Husain, Dean and Director, Institute of Business Administration (IBA) and Former Governor of State Bank of Pakistan addressed members on 21st February, 2009 at Beach Luxury Hotel on the topic of "Survival of Pakistan's Economy. Large number of members and Mr.Francis Widmer, Commercial Counsellor, Embassy of France in Pakistan attended. Business Recorder published a quarter page story at prominent place in its edition of 22nd February, 2009.

MEMBERS' DIRECTORY 2009

The Members' Director 2009 was published two copies of which were provided complimentary to all members. We trust the recipients will find the same useful due to its handy size which one can carry anytime/anywhere in your briefcase or even in pocket.