

Business Meeting

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- ▶ 2011 in Blois, [France](#)
- ▶ 2012 in San Sebastian, [Spain](#)
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Next FSMNLP

- ▶ 2017 in ???

(maybe not in Germany, UK, Spain, France)

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Open Topic

Town hall meeting