INVITATION TO AN INFORMAL EXPERTS GROUP MEETING ON TRADE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
DEBATE ON TSD CHAPTERS ON FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS
BRUSSELS, 6 JULY 2017

The next informal expert group meeting on “Trade & Sustainable Development” (TSD) will be held on 6th July 2017, from 14:40 to 18:00, in the Berlaymont building, Rue de la Loi 200, Brussels, in the meeting room Robert Schuman. A draft agenda is attached (Annex I) to this invitation. A discussion paper will be distributed ahead of the meeting.

The meeting will be held in English with no interpretation available. Given the broad scope of the topics covered the participation of experts in labour, environment or development cooperation as well as trade would be welcome.

For any enquiry, comment or input on the draft agenda, please contact John Bazill (tel:+32229 65582, email: john.bazill@ec.europa.eu) or Sebastian Agustino (tel. +32229 63244, email: sebastian.agustino-macias@ec.europa.eu).

In order to organise and facilitate access to the venue of the meeting, participants are kindly requested to register by entering information through the following link: https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/TSD_ExpertGroupMeeting_06July2017, by 3rd July 2017 COB. Should you have any enquiry concerning the registration process, please send an email to: Maria-Valle.GALAN-SANCHEZ@ec.europa.eu

The European Commission will reimburse travel expenses of one expert per Member State for this meeting. Participation of additional experts is of course welcome but would be at the expense of the Member State concerned. See instructions for reimbursement in Annex II.

It can take some time to access the Berlaymont building due to security checks. Therefore, please arrive at least 20 minutes ahead of the meeting, so to facilitate its prompt start. To access the Berlaymont building, show your ID and a copy of this invitation to security. A registration desk will be located near the reception.

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Annexes
Annex I: Draft Agenda
Annex II: Instructions for the reimbursement of travel expenses