

# TTIP one year on: Consumers Mean Business

## Multi-stakeholder dialogue hosted by TACD Tuesday 24 June 2014 Pew Conference Centre, 901 E St. NW, Washington, D.C. USA

A second stakeholder dialogue meeting addressing in depth the most important issues for consumers and citizens that are being discussed as part of negotiations for a proposed EU-U.S. free trade agreement, known as the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).

#### **08.00 Registration and coffee**

#### **08.30 Welcome and Introduction**

- Ed Mierzwinski, Consumer Program Director, U.S. Public Interest Research Groups and U.S. Co-Chair of TACD
- Monique Goyens, Director General, BEUC and EU Co-Chair of TACD

## 08.40 Keynote addresses: The TTIP One Year On

- Senator Ron Wyden, Member of U.S. Congress [invited]
- Catherine Novelli, Under-Secretary of State for Economic Growth, Energy and Environment, U.S. Department of State [invited]
- Ladislav Miko, Deputy Director General for the Food Chain, DG Health and Consumers, European Commission

## 09.30 Plenary: Do we need Investor to State Dispute Settlement in TTIP?

- Moderated by Susan Grant, Director for Consumer Protection, Consumer Federation of America and Member of TACD Steering Committee
- Keynote addresses from:
  - Ignacio Garcia Bercero, Chief TTIP Negotiator, DG TRADE, European Commission
  - Robert Weissman, President, Public Citizen (US) and Member of TACD Steering Committee
- Followed by panel discussion with additional panellists:
  - Celeste Drake, Trade and Globalisation Specialist, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)
  - Jai Motwane, Lead TTIP Negotiator on Investment, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative [invited]
  - Representative of UN Conference on Trade and Development [invited]





## 11.00 Coffee break

#### **11.15 Breakout sessions**

## 1. TTIP: the opportunities and challenges for food policy

- Moderated by Sandra Eskin, Director of Food Safety, Pew Charitable Trusts
- Short presentations from:
  - Ladislav Miko, Deputy Director General Responsible for the Food Chain, DG Health and Consumers, European Commission
  - Cory Bryant, International Public Health & Trade Manager, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
  - Chris Waldrop, Consumer Federation of America and Camilla Udsen, Senior Food Advisor, Danish Consumer Council (joint presentation)
- Group discussion

# 2. Should financial services be included in the TTIP?

- Moderated by Ira Rheingold, National Association for Consumer Advocates (U.S.)
- Short presentations from:
  - Hiddo Houben, Minister-Counselor and Head of Trade Section, Delegation of the EU to the U.S.
  - Lisa Donner, Executive Director, Americans for Financial Reform
- Group discussion

## 3. Digital and ICT chapter

- Moderated by Kostas Rossoglou, Senior Legal Officer, BEUC
- Short presentations from:
  - Irina Vasiliu, Policy Officer, Data Protection Reform, DG Justice, European Commission
  - Jessica Rich, Director Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission
  - Rob Tanner, Lead TTIP Negotiator for Electronic Commerce and Telecommunications, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative [invited]
- Group discussion

# 12:45 Lunch and keynote address from Member of U.S. Congress [TBC]

## **14.00 Breakout sessions**

- 1. Pharmaceuticals in the TTIP and the impact on public health and access to medicines
  - Moderated by David Hammerstein, TACD and Rob Weissman, Public Citizen
  - Short presentations from:
    - George York, Lead TTIP Negotiator on IP, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative [invited]
    - Ancel.la Santos Quintano, Policy Advisor, Health Action International Europe





- Peter Maybarduk, Director Global Access to Medicines Program, Public Citizen
- Group discussion

# 2. Chemicals and Nanomaterials

- Moderated by Sally Greenberg, Executive Director, National Consumers League (U.S.)
- Short presentations by:
  - Baskut Tuncak, Staff Attorney, Center for International Environmental Law
  - Isabel Pastor Arenillas, Attaché Trade and Agriculture, Delegation of the EU to the U.S.
  - William Jordan, Deputy Office Director for Programs, Office for Pesticide Programs, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Group discussion

# 15.30 Coffee break

# 15.45 Plenary: Regulatory Coherence and Regulatory Cooperation

- Moderated by Bart Combée, President, Consumentenbond, The Netherlands
- Keynote addresses:
  - Dan Mullaney, Chief TTIP Negotiator, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative
  - Monique Goyens, Director General, BEUC and EU Co-Chair of TACD
- Followed by panel discussion with additional panellists:
  - Ladislav Miko, Deputy Director General Responsible for the Food Chain, DG Health and Consumers, European Commission
  - Alex Hunt, Branch Chief of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, U.S. Office of Management and Budget
  - Ignacio Garcia Bercero, Chief TTIP Negotiator, DG TRADE, European Commission
  - Courtenay Lewis, Trade Representative, Sierra Club

# **17.15** Concluding plenary: will TTIP bring any benefits for consumers?

- Moderated by Benedicte Federspiel, Danish Consumer Council and Member of TACD Steering Committee
- Discussion with TACD Policy Co-Chairs following break-out discussions and conclusions

## 18.00 Drinks reception and networking

