

TTIP: POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC RATIONALE AND IMPLICATIONS?

Venue: CEPS, 1 Place du Congrès, 1000 Brussels

Date: Tuesday, 10 November 2015, 09.00 – 17.00

Programme (PRELIMINARY)

09.00 – 09.30 Registration and Coffee

09.30 – 09.45 Welcome and Introduction (Brigitte Preissl, Intereconomics Editor-in-Chief)

Chair: Brigitte Preissl (Intereconomics)

Keynote: **Overall economic significance and global economic and political context** (Jacques Pelkmans, CEPS)

09.45 – 11.30

TTIP: Economic gains, models and debate (Federica Mustilli, CEPS)

TTIP effects on SMEs (Lucian Cernat, European Commission)

11.30 – 12.00 Coffee Break

Chair: Ekaterina Sprenger (Intereconomics)

12.00 – 13.15

Consumer protection and concerns (Johannes Kleis, BEUC)

TTIP effects on the automotive industry (Galina Kolev, IW Köln)

13.15– 14.15 Lunch Break

Chair: Derek Kruse (Intereconomics)

14:15-15:30

The geo-economics and geo-politics of TTIP (Steven Blockmans, CEPS)

An American perspective on TTIP (Thea Lee, AFL–CIO)

Round Table Debate: TTIP - What outcome to expect?

Chair: Jacques Pelkmans (CEPS)

15:30-17:00

- Thea Lee (AFL–CIO)

- Hiddo Houben (Deputy Chief Negotiator EU)

- René van Sloten (Cefic)