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**Proposals for agendas**

**EU-Korea 2016/2017 meetings under the TSD chapter of the EU-Korea FTA, Brussels**

**Introduction**: The 2016/2017 EU-Korea meetings under the Trade and Sustainable Development (TSD) chapter of the EU-Korea FTA will take place in Brussels (the meetings originally planned for 2016 will be held in January 2017).

Following the discussion and conclusions of the EU-Korea Civil Society Forum (CSF) held in 2015 in Seoul, the EU DAG would like to propose that two meetings are organised with the participation of the EU DAG and Korea DAG members. These would be as follows:

* A **workshop on Corporate Social Responsibility** (CSR) attended by the EU DAG, the Korea DAG and other guests and speakers. These may include representatives of the EU Member States, the National Contact Points under the OECD Guidelines, civil society organisations, the European Commission, the Korean Government and others.
* The **EU-Korea CSF**, starting with the Joint Statement of the Co-Chairs of the TSD Committee, followed by Q&A session, as well as a debate on three topics and a discussion on and adoption of the CSF Conclusions.

In addition, we have been informed by the European Commission that in line with the established practice and the respective responsibilities, the officials in charge of the TSD chapter from the European Commission and the Korean Government will prepare a meeting of the Committee on TSD. The Commission informed the EU DAG about its intention to hold the Committee meeting in January 2017 in Brussels.

Below, follow the proposed agendas and topics for the workshop and the EU-Korea CSF.

**Proposals for workshop on Corporate Social Responsibility**

*(based on the 2015 EU-Korea CSF Conclusions)*

1. Introduction *(e.g. by the Commission representative)* about the EU strategy in the area of CSR and division of competencies between the EU, the Member States and the relevant stakeholders
2. Exchange of information and examples of good practice, including National Action Plans or strategies, related to the existing policy in the area of CSR in the EU Member States and the Republic of Korea.

* *CSR initiatives and good practices –* ***Dr Ho-Geun Lee*** *(Korea DAG, Professor at Chon-buk National University, Law School)*
* *CSR practices of multinational enterprises and eco-friendly management –* ***Ms Ji-Won Ha*** *(Korea DAG, President of Ecomom Korea, Environmental Organization)*
* *Speakers representing the EU – to be determined*

1. Exchange of information and examples of good practice related to the existing policy and measures in the area of Business and Human Rights, including the national Action Plans where they exist.

* *Speakers representing Korea – to be determined*
* *Speakers representing the EU – to be determined*

1. National Contact Points (NCPs) under the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, presentation of structure and operation of a few chosen NCPs

* *Speakers representing the NCPs – to be determined*

*The main conclusions from the workshop could be reflected in the EU-Korea CSF conclusions.*

**Proposals for the EU-Korea Civil Society Forum**

1. **Joint Statement of the Co-Chairs** of the EU-Korea Trade and Sustainable Development Committee *(this agenda item will be organised and coordinated with the CTSD contact points from the European Commission and the Government of the Republic of Korea and is planned to be followed by Q&A session)*
2. **Economic topic:** the consequences of the digitisation of the economy for the EU-Korea trade relationship.

* ***Ms Hee-Jin Yoo*** *(Korea DAG, Assistant Professor at the Anyang University, School of International Trade and Marketing)*
* ***Mr Pascal Kerneis*** *(EU DAG, European Services Forum – ESF)*

1. **Labour-related topic:** labour standards in the context of the TSD chapter, including reference to the EU-Korea joint project on the ILO Convention No. 111, other ILO fundamental conventions and decent work.

* ***Ms Karen Curtis****, ILO (to be confirmed)*
* *Speaker representing Korea DAG – to be determined*
* *Speaker representing EU DAG – to be determined*

1. **Environment-related** **topic**: chosen aspects of green economy.

* ***Mr Laurens Ankersmit*** *(EU DAG, Client Earth, Environmental Organisation)*
* *Speaker representing Korea DAG – to be determined*

1. Discussion on and adoption of the **EU-Korea CSF Conclusions**