BTO: Exploratory meeting SANTE-AmChamEU for the organisation of the 6th Risk Roundtable – 11 February 2021

Participants:

- SANTE:
- AmCham EU:

Objective of the meeting

The objective of the meeting, which was initiated by AmCham EU, was to discuss with SANTE the possibility for SANTE's participation and if possible co-organisation of the next 6th Risk Roundtable meeting in the course of the Spring.

More specifically the discussion addressed both organizational aspects as well as substantive aspects in terms of the proposed theme.

- Organisational aspects:
 - SANTE's participation:
 - AmCham made a brief introduction in the history of the organization of these Risk Roundtables (going back to 2011) indicating that in the past it was customary for SANTE to participate as a co-organiser. It therefore invited SANTE to consider (a) to co-organise the 2021 event with AmCham, (b) providing a key note speaker in the introductory part of the event, and (c) participate also with a speaker in the two round-tables.
 - SANTE replied that co-organisation is not possible. However, SANTE can
 participate in the panel discussion. As regards the request for a SANTE keynote
 speaker, this would need to be explored.
 - o Timing: The event was originally planned for early April but SANTE indicated that the proposed timing would be problematic. AmCham showed flexibility with the date arrangements. The only limitation is that the event would need to take place this year as last year the event was cancelled due to Covid-19 situation.
 - o Format: AmCham clarified that the format of the event is likely to be a hybrid (partially physical partially remote access).

Substantive aspects:

- Proposed theme: The proposed theme of the event is "Managing risk perception influence on sustainability policies" (attached document).
 - SANTE asked clarifications as to what the term 'sustainability' corresponded to, i.e. whether it was meant to address the 'longevity' of the risk management decision making or whether it was meant to address the 'sustainability' aspects of the food chain.
 - AmCham replied that the intention was to cover both aspects.
 - SANTE indicated that this would be confusing and a more streamline approach would be preferable.
 - AmCham invited SANTE to make suggestions to the proposed agenda (see attached document).
- O Speakers:
 - AmCham indicated that the speakers are not yet confirmed except for the participation from the US side.