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Japan team C1 met today representatives of the EU-Japan Business Round Table (BRT):

, EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation, Haru Tsuyukubo – President Rolls-Royce Japan and Antione Feral, Vice-President EU affairs Rolls-Royce Int'l.

• BRT informed about their plans for the 2017 BRT annual meeting which will take place on 11 July. A number of EU Commissioners are interested to attend (Tusk, Ansip, etc.).

- BRT inquired about the latest developments on the EU-Japan FTA negotiations and the likelihood of a deal emerging before the BRT's annual meeting. provided an overview of the latest state of play of the EU-Japan FTA negotiations. Few issues remain which need a political engagement, in particular by Japan. The support of business at that stage of the negotiations would be important.
- BRT informed that they are reflecting on the future role of BRT (after BREXIT etc.) and inquired about new ways of engaging. pointed out that the area of regulatory cooperation will be an important part of the FTA implementation once FTA is concluded and business can have an important role in that.



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