

ESF Policy Committee, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

**Resume:**

*As in past occasions, the main purpose of the ESF Policy Committee meeting was to go through the state of play of on-going trade in services negotiations and initiatives. The discussion underlined a keen interest of ESF members to exchange views on these matters:*

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- On TiSA, COM explained that the perimeter of the negotiations has to be determined soon.

**Details:**

- The Policy Committee meeting was chaired by [Art. 4.1 b] from TheCityUK with broad participation from ESF committee members. [Art. 4.1 b] [Art. 4.1 b] (all B1) participated from DG Trade.

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Category	Percentage
Out of scope	35%
Other	10%
Not applicable	10%
Not a priority	10%
Not a concern	10%
Not a risk	10%
Not a threat	10%
Not a hazard	10%
Not a danger	10%
Not a problem	10%
Not a risk factor	10%
Not a risk indicator	10%
Not a risk assessment	10%
Not a risk management	10%
Not a risk reduction	10%
Not a risk control	10%
Not a risk mitigation	10%
Not a risk transfer	10%
Not a risk avoidance	10%
Not a risk elimination	10%

**TiSA:**

- COM informed the Committee about the current state of play of the negotiations. It explained that instead of bringing more and more issues to the negotiation table, parties should focus on financial services, telecommunications, domestic regulations, maritime and mode 4 issues. COM stressed the importance of Government Procurement.
- The **Chair** mentioned the commitment of the parties to offer their best FTA under TISA and asked whether it would be possible to get more identical offers of the parties. COM answered that the aim was to reach a level playing field. Therefore COM supports the introduction of market access standards.
- **Business Europe** explained that there was an ongoing internal debate on the interplay between goods and services commitments.