The meeting was convened to update the group about recent developments and the state of play of the negotiations. Maria Martin-Prat who leads the discussions on the Commission’s side alongside provided an overview of the key areas that are currently being discussed, notably market access offers and level playing field provisions and talked about the level of ambition required from China to conclude the agreement as well as next steps. The participants provided information on a confidential basis about the issues their respective industries have been experiencing in the Chinese market and fed back to the EU on the suitability and desired elements of the disciplines that are currently being discussed with China.