

**[article 4.1 b] met Euratex [article 4.1 b] on the margins of the TTIP stakeholder forum Wednesday**  
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Euratex had contacts this week with both NCTO and AAfA, discussing tariffs, RoO, regulatory and IP aspects with a view to try to close gaps in their respective positions on TTIP and move closer to a joint position.

In the discussions they realised the need to educate on EU/US rules on RoO as there are serious misconceptions that give the impression that the two sides are further than they are.

The idea of a one day forum with technical presentations was discussed. A first step would be an information session for Euratex members. This would be followed by an information session involving both Euratex members and members of US organisations - this could cover both RoO and regulatory aspects. In a first stage Euratex will reflect further on timing/ how this could be best arranged with their membership.