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I had a meeting with Art. 4.1 (b) from the German Confederation of skilled crafts and small business (ZDH) on TTIP.

ZDH's main concern is that the "Meister" certificate could be weakened by TTIP. I reassured them that discussions in TTIP on recognition of professional qualifications are very limited in terms of scope and do not affect this issue. Other issues covered: visas (I encouraged ZDH to come forward with concrete examples of problems of their members) and the SME chapter (where ZDH signalled interest in an ambitious approach for a comprehensive help desk covering also information about states).

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