Summary

JLD provided an update on trade topics requested by BusinessEurope: Japan, plurilaterals including TiSA; subsequently, participants raised questions on negotiations with Japan, plurilaterals including TiSA;

The European Services Forum (ESF) raised several questions with regard to the state of play of the plurilateral negotiations on TiSA; JLD outlined the status of these negotiations
Further questions were raised with regard to the timeline for the conclusion of the Japan FTA negotiations, and in particular about whether Japan has shown increased openness to the Investment Court System (ICS). JLD elaborated on the state of play of the both FTAs and more specifically on the ICS discussions with Japan.