



Meeting with [REDACTED] (Mission of Switzerland to the EU)

Meeting date and place

Meeting held on 23/07/2019 14:30 in Charlemagne

Participating organisation(s) & representative(s)

- - Mission of Switzerland to the EU Participant,
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Main issues discussed

On 23.7.2019 [REDACTED] DG Trade C.3 [REDACTED] met with [REDACTED] at the Swiss Secretariat for Economic Affairs, who was accompanied by [REDACTED] was accompanied by [REDACTED].

The participants updated each other on the state of play of their negotiations with Mercosur and Chile and exchanged views as regards the challenges and prospects they are facing therein. [REDACTED] congratulated the EU for achieving a political conclusion of the trade part of the Association Agreement with Mercosur and expressed optimism about the possibility of concluding an FTA between Mercosur and EFTA in the nearest future. The EFTA-Mercosur "wrap-up meeting" is scheduled for August. Mercosur would like to conclude the negotiations still before the election in Argentina. [REDACTED] then raised specific questions on the IPR, trade coverage, TSD, SPS, export taxes and safeguards to which [REDACTED] replied.

The participants agreed to stay in contact and update each other again in the autumn.

Directorate or unit

TRADE C/3

Internal participants

TRADE C/3 [REDACTED] Participant, Notetaker,
TRADE C/3 [REDACTED] Participant,

Author(s) of minutes

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