



## Meeting with Art. 4.2

### Meeting date and place

Meeting held on 05/03/2019 11:30

### Participating organisation(s) & representative(s)

Mr Art. 4.1(b) Vice President - EU Affairs - Art. 4.2 Participant, Requester,  
Mr Art. 4.1(b) - - Art. 4.2 Participant, Requester,

### Main issues discussed

- Upon request by Art. 4.2 representatives, on 3 March 2019 DG Trade Director Martin-Prat met Art. 4.2 Art. 4.1(b) and Vice President for EU Affairs Art. 4.1(b). DG Trade investment, China and market access experts Art. 4.1(b), Art. 4.1(b) and Art. 4.1(b) also attended the meeting.
- Points of discussions were the latest state of play of the EU-China investment negotiations, China's reforms of its domestic foreign investment laws as well as Art. 4.2's current operations in China and Europe.
- Ms Martin-Prat informed that the 20th round of negotiations took place at the end of February and that it marked the commencement of very sector-specific discussions in light of the exchange of market access offers occurred in the margins of the 2018 EU-China Summit. Despite the progress already made and a significant level of engagement, still a lot of work lies ahead, in particular in terms of ambition of the Chinese offer.
- With regard China's draft foreign investment law currently under review by the National People's Congress, Ms Martin-Prat welcomed China's objective to open up further and to actively promote and protect foreign investments. Art. 4.1(a) Art. 4.1(a) representatives shared the same assessment.
- Lastly, Art. 4.2 expressed its hope to continue to contribute to the fabric of EU society and industry in the years to come.

### Directorate or unit

TRADE B

### Internal participants

Ms MARTIN-PRAT Maria TRADE B ( Art. 4.1(b) ) Participant,  
Ms Art. 4.1(b) TRADE B/2 ( Art. 4.1(b) ) Notetaker,  
Ms Art. 4.1(b) TRADE C/1 ( Art. 4.1(b) ) Participant,  
Mr Art. 4.1(b) TRADE G/3 ( Art. 4.1(b) ) Participant.

### Author(s) of minutes

Art. 4.1(b)

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