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Subject: Report – TTIP/Cabinet meeting with Lifelong Learning Platform – 27 October 2015

Meeting held on 27 october 2015.

Participants:

- LLL Platform (Lifelong Learning Platform): Audrey Frith (Director of LLL Platform); Regina Ebner (Vice-president of the LLL Platform and Secretary General of EAEA (European Association for the Education of Adults)); Lea Christina Meiste (Vice-Chairperson of ESU (European Students' Union)); [Art. 4.1(b)] (Representative of ECSWE (European Council for Steiner Waldorf Education)); [Art. 4.1(b)] (Representative of EARLALL (European Association of Regional and Local Authorities for Lifelong Learning)).

- COM: J. Mungengová (CAB Malmström -TRADE), [Art. 4.1(b)] (DG TRADE B1)

Summary

The main objective of LLL Platform's representatives was to get clarifications on a number of issues related to TTIP and education services. Main questions/comments:

- blurry frontier public/private education; lack of definition of "public funding or state support in any form" in EU reservation on education;
- rationale for some MS reservations on private education;
- rationale for maintaining education within scope of TTIP;
- US position on education services.
- opportunity to amend commitments and reservations after entry into force of the agreement;
- impact on bidding for/granting of ESF funds;
- impact on schools run on a non-profit basis.

The Cabinet reminded the overall approach on TTIP (including respect of EU acquis, position on public services) and provided clarifications as to the EU approach on education in TTIP.

LLL Platform handed over a number of brochures related to their activities.

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