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Subject: HLWG; regualtory issues; meeting with TABD [4.1.6]

Short but productive meeting with TABD, [4.1.6] Main purpose was to get an update on the state of play regarding industry contributions to the on-going COM consultations and to get a sense of where additional outreach by the administrations may be useful. Meeting also served to encourage TABD to continue playing a key role in this exercise.

- TABD is preparing its own (cross-cutting) submission to the Sept consultation, which will reach us shortly
- TABD is in contact with sector organisations via its members to encourage them working with us closely and submitting joint and detailed contributions to the solicitation.
- **Chemical sector seems to be relatively advanced** and CEFIC and ACC are working closely on their joint submission.
- **Auto-industry** [

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preliminary contacts could take place at working level in the week of 17/9. [First

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more senior contacts could take place in DC in the week of 8/10.

- TABD will host its **next JPC meeting on 16 and 17 October**. It could be useful to have a joint message by senior COM and USG management reporting on progress in the HLWG, replying to concerns of industry and encouraging ambitious proposals.
- TABD would be prepared to also help **organising DVCs** with sector associations to discuss individual issues with experts – but this could be done at a later stage.
- TABD is also in touch with the **insurance industry (ACLI and Insurance Europe)** – they will also be in town next week.
- TABD reported on **the meeting last week with EP INTA, the Monitoring Group**, which went very well; stakeholders expressed strong support for the growth and jobs initiative, including FreshFEL, the agricultural lobby (vegetable association) and Euratex. **Moreira confirmed that AG issues including tariffs and regulatory issues (GMOs) would be possible stumbling blocks** and should be addressed. TABD wanted to have our assurances that administrations are seriously working on SPS and AG issues [

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- When asked about outreach to US agencies and Congress, TABD confirmed they are strongly engaged with their members who would be best placed for this exercise.

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