

[Art. 4.1(b)] (TRADE); [Art. 4.1(b)] (TRADE); [Art. 4.1(b)]  
 (TRADE); [Art. 4.1(b)] (TRADE); [Art. 4.1(b)]  
 (TRADE); [Art. 4.1(b)] (TRADE)

*Participants:*

- CEFIC: René Van Sloten, [Art. 4.1(b)]
- DG TRADE: [Art. 4.1(b)]

The objective of the meeting was to discuss the state of play of negotiations on rules of origin for chemicals, particularly in the negotiations with Japan and [Outside the scope of the request] CEFIC explained that the current proposal on rules of origin for chemicals is a result of industry cooperation and agreement in the Chemical Council. CEFIC advocates for simple and flexible rules of origin.

[Outside the scope of the request]

DG TRADE presented the state of discussions on chemical products in the ongoing FTA negotiations and asked for some clarification regarding the alternative processing rules that have been an outstanding issue in the negotiations with Japan.

[Art. 4.1(b)]



**European Commission**  
DG TRADE  
Unit F3

CHAR [Art. 4.1(b)]  
B-1049 Brussels/Belgium

[Art. 4.1(b)] [ec.europa.eu](http://ec.europa.eu)