



EUROPEAN UNION
Delegation to Japan

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EU COMMERCIAL COUNSELLORS' MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 18 JANUARY 2017, 10.00-12.00, EUROPA HOUSE

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2. FTA sessions in Brussels

The FTA negotiations started again on 11 January in Brussels. In the first week, there were intensive discussions on market access, in particular on agriculture and especially on dairy products. In the week of 16 January, discussions are ongoing on Rules of Origin, IPR/GIs, NTMs, Procurement and Services. During the same week, there are Chief Negotiators' meetings as well. While this is not confirmed at this point in time, there is a possibility of a Ministerial Level meeting in the next few weeks to discuss the most difficult issues. No formal deadline has been fixed yet, taking political calendars and elections taking place in Europe in 2017 into consideration. The next negotiating round remains to be fixed.

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