



Exchange on the EU-China BIT-negotiations

Meeting date and place

Meeting held on 05/03/2018 14:00 in Charlemagne

Participating organisation(s) & representative(s)

ESCHENBAUM Gerhard	Deputy CEO - Deutscher Industrie- und Handelskammertag e.V. (TRN: 22400601191-42)	Participant, Requester, Interest representative,
[Art. 4(1)(b)]	-- Deutscher Industrie- und Handelskammertag e.V. (TRN: 22400601191-42)	Participant, Requester, Interest representative,

Main issues discussed

Meeting with the Düsseldorf Chamber of Commerce and Industry

5 March 2018

The meeting was requested by Dr. Gerhard ESCHENBAUM, Deputy Executive Director of the Düsseldorf Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and [Art. 4(1)(b)] both present at the meeting. From the Commission part, the meeting was attended by Ms. Maria MARTIN-PRAT (Director). [Art. 4(1)(b)]

The Düsseldorf Chamber of Commerce and Industry presented a survey of German Business in China 2017/18 (attached).

[Art. 4(2)]

Ms Martin-Prat appreciated the interest of the Düsseldorf Chamber of Commerce and Industry and clarified that the EU remains open and needs to attract further foreign investment, including from China. The EU screening proposal focuses on national security and public order issues, like in many other countries, including China; it is not a tool of mercantilist policy (national economic interest). The proposal aims to enhance transparency and coordination among the Member States and does not oblige them to set up a screening mechanism if they do not have one. Additionally, she explained the objectives, state of play and the next steps in the ongoing investment negotiations.

Directorate or unit

TRADE B

Internal participants

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[Art. 4(1)(b)]

Validator and validation date

MARTIN-PRAT Maria validated the minutes on 09/04/2018 10:28