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## **INFORMATION**

From:	Presidency
To:	Trade Policy Committee (Full Members)
Subject:	Informal video conference of the members of the Trade Policy Committee (Full Members) on 11 September 2020 (09:30) - Updated draft annotated agenda

**Informal video conference of the Members of the Trade Policy Committee (Full Members)**

**Friday, 11 September 2020 (09h30)**

**Updated draft annotated agenda**

**1. EU-China Trade Relations**

**1.1. Presentation of the MERICS study “China rule- and standard setting ambitions for global trade – implications for EU trade policy” (WK 8915/2020)**

*The Mercator Institute for China Studies (MERICS) will give a presentation to the Members of the Committee on the study “China’s rule and standard setting ambitions for global trade implications for EU trade policy”, to be followed by Q&A. The representative of MERICS will leave the meeting after this sub-item.*

**1.2. Strategic Discussion on the EU-China trade relations including an exchange on the trade related aspects of the Leaders’ Meeting (14 September 2020 – via video conference)**

*Based on a presentation by the Commission, the members of the Committee will be invited to discuss the strategic aspects of EU-China trade relations, including in view of the EU-China Leaders’ meeting that will take place via video conference on 14 September.*

**2. WTO: DG selection (possibly restricted/limited set up) (WK-R 9219/2020 EU-R)**

*The Presidency and the Commission will present the results of the joint Commission-Presidency bilateral contacts with individual TPC Full Members with the aim of having TPC endorsement of four candidates to be communicated to Ambassador Walker’s troika as the EU position.*

**3. AOB.**

**3.1. Information by the Presidency on the Informal FAC Trade (Berlin, 20-21 September 2020 or via video conference – date and format tbc)**

*The Presidency will inform the Members of the Committee of the items to be covered during the Informal FAC Trade meeting on 20-21 September. While a discussion is not expected, the Presidency is ready to provide any clarifications as needed.*

- *Trade Policy Review*
- *Situation of the European steel industry (trade and industrial policy aspects)*
- *Selection of the next WTO-DG (see agenda item 2.)*

**Exchange with EP INTA Chair Bernd Lange (restricted/limited set up)**

*After the meeting, the Members of the Committee will have the opportunity to exchange views with Mr Bernd Lange, Chairman of Parliament’s INTA Committee regarding on-going and prospective trade files.*

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