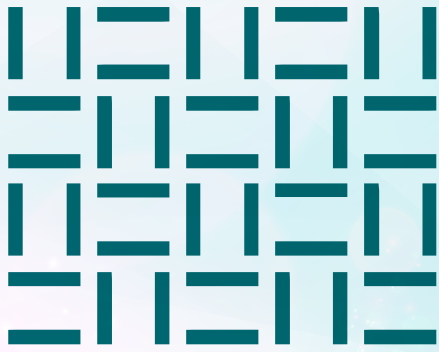




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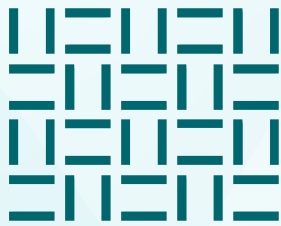


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**Textile and Clothing World Markets
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Brussels
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**09.30-10.00****Registration**

10.00 - 10.10

Welcome speech

Mr. Alberto Paccanelli – President of EURATEX

10.10 - 10.30

Opening session

How international trade in Textile & Clothing changed since the start of the century?

Mr Gildas Minvielle – Economist, Institut Français de la Mode (IFM)

10.30 - 11.15

Session 1 : The broad political perspective

- *WTO's role in a world of raising FTAs*
Mr. Roberto Azevêdo, Director General – WTO (tbc)
- *EU trade policy: how to improve access to worldwide markets for the EU Textile and Clothing industry*
Ms. Signe Ratso, Director of Trade Strategy & Market Access – European Commission
- *Key factors of the industrial policy supporting the FTAs development to take advantage of the opportunities*
Mr. Antonio Tajani, Vice-President of the European Commission – Commissioner for Industry and Entrepreneurship (tbc)
- **Q & A session**

11.15-11.30**Coffee break**

11.30 - 12.45

Session 2: The perceived benefits of currently enforced FTAs with selected partners

How partners expect the FTAs with EU and others will shape the development of the Textile & Clothing Industry in the future?

- Introduction and moderation by Mr. Francesco Marchi – Director General Euratex : The EU perspective

Speakers

- EU-Korea FTA : one year after
Mr. B.H Kim, International Cooperation & trade team director – Korean Federation of Textile Industries (KOFOTI)
- Benefits for a company exporting to Korea
Mr. Olivier de Croizant, CEO – Groupe Barbara
- Turkey views on enforced FTA's
Mr. Kenan Koç, Board Member – Turkish Textile Employers' Association (TTEA)
- Africa: new Eldorado?
Mr. Rajeev Arora, Executive Director – African Cotton & Textile Industries Association (ACTIF)
- Testimony from an EU company exporting world-wide.
Mr Bernd Stadtler – Head of International Customs Affairs – Hugo Boss
- Q & A session

12.45-14.15

Networking Lunch

14.15 - 15.45

Session 3: Expected impact of future FTAs and the effects of multifaceted agreements in the Textile and Clothing industry

What are partners' priorities when supporting negotiations of FTAs with EU and others? What are the tools to ensure the FTA's efficiency?

- Introduction and moderation by Mr. H. Bekke, Secretary General – International Apparel Federation (IAF)

Speakers

- Japan: the value of completing the FTA network.
Mr. Hideshi Ueda, Executive Vice President of Japan Textile Association (JTF) & Japan Chemical Fibers Association (JCFA)
- Canada and its FTAs
Mr Bob Kirke, Executive Director – Canadian Apparel Federation (CAF)
- India: increase competitiveness by opening its market
Mr. Rahul Mehta, President – Clothing Manufacturers' Association India (CMAI)
- Brazil: what are the conditions of a win-win FTA with the EU?
Mr. Fernando Pimentel, Director General – Textile and Apparel Industry Association (ABIT)
- Taiwan: Facing the changing trade environment
Mr Justin Huang, Secretary General – Taiwan Textile Federation (TTF)
- Q & A session

15.45 -16.00

Concluding Remarks



Practical Information

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