



Untangling the trade talks:

What are the likely consequences of an EU-US trade deal for our food and environment?

March 13th 2014, 13:30 – 18:00 at the [Press Club Brussels, Rue Froissart 95](#)

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You are invited to an afternoon of open conversation on how the controversial EU-US trade deal could affect our food and environment.

Friends of the Earth Europe will be joined by the Institute for Agriculture Trade Policy, Transnational Institute and the Seattle to Brussels Network, plus representatives of the European Parliament and Commission, farmers, consumers and citizen groups from both sides of the Atlantic, to share perspectives on the likely impacts of a deal on our food and our environment.

The event coincides with the fourth round of trade negotiations on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) happening in Brussels 10th – 14th March.

13:30 – 15:30: What are likely impacts of TTIP for food and farming?



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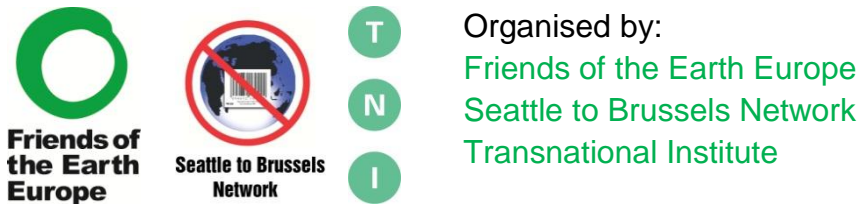
This open conversation will feature presentations from representatives of a range of sectors in the EU and US on threats to sustainable food and farming, food safety, and consumer choice, followed by discussion with the audience.

Speakers will include:

- **Kathy Ozer**, US Family Farm Coalition
- **Adrian Bebb**, Friends of the Earth Europe
- **Camille Perrin**, BEUC, The European Consumer Organisation

15:30 – 16:00: Coffee & organic fruit break

16:00 – 18:00: The controversial investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS) mechanism and its risks for our environment



This panel debate will allow for a frank exchange of views on the introduction of special rights for companies in the TTIP, through the mechanism of investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS). Questions such as: How has the ISDS system been used in relation to the environment in existing trade agreements? What can be learned from precedent cases? How would including such rights threaten our environment? will be discussed.

Speakers will include:

- **Rupert Schlegelmilch**, European Commission, Directorate General for Trade
- **Višnar Malinovská**, European Commission, Directorate General for Environment
- **Ilana Solomon**, Sierra Club
- **Stuart Trew**, Council of Canadians
- **Pia Eberhardt**, Corporate Europe Observatory

The debate will be followed by a question and answer session.

To attend either or both sessions, please register at:
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