

PLEASE ASSIST IN THE EVALUATION OF THE CIVIL SOCIETY DIALOGUE

Fields marked with * are mandatory.

DG Trade is currently evaluating the Civil Society Dialogue process. As part of this evaluation, we would appreciate your feed-back on this meeting to allow us to improve the organisation of forthcoming Civil Society Dialogue meetings.

Before proceeding with the evaluation, please fill in the meeting ID number in the next tab.

Meeting ID

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Meeting evaluation

* Category (choose one)

- ☐ Business association / confederation
- ☒ NGO
- ☐ European Social Partner
- ☐ Labour organisation
- ☐ Consumer organisation
- ☐ Other (please specify)

General information about participation and attendance

* When did you start attending meetings of the Civil Society Dialogue?

- ☐ 1999
- ☐ 2000
- ☐ 2001
- ☐ 2002
- ☐ 2003
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- ☐ 2006

- ☐ 2007
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- ☐ 2010
- ☒ 2011
- ☐ 2012
- ☐ 2013
- ☐ 2014
- ☐ 2015
- ☐ 2016
- ☐ 2017
- ☐ 2018

What were your reasons for attending this meeting? (tick all that are relevant)

- ☐ Gaining a better understanding of current trade policy issues
- ☒ Engaging in dialogue with DG Trade and getting answers to specific questions
- ☒ Confirming my organisation's standpoint to the European Commission
- ☐ Confirming my organisation's standpoint to other civil society organisations
- ☐ Gaining information about activities of other organisations
- ☐ Networking purposes
- ☒ Influencing EU trade policy-making
- ☐ Other (please specify)

Views on the meeting

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	No opinion /not applicable
* The meeting was well <u>chaired / managed</u>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* The information provided <u>before</u> the meeting was sufficiently informative	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* The information provided by DG Trade <u>during</u> the meeting was useful / relevant	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* The participants presented a <u>balanced and representative</u> reflection of civil society	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* The interventions by <u>other organisations</u> were relevant and useful to my organisation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* There was a <u>high quality</u> discussion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Timing issues

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	No opinion /not applicable
* The meeting took place at an appropriate <u>time</u> in the policy making process	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* There was sufficient <u>time for discussion</u>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Sufficient <u>notice</u> was given for this meeting	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* <u>Further meetings</u> on this topic would be relevant	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Satisfaction

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
* I am satisfied that I attended this meeting	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* The <u>time invested</u> in preparing/attending this meeting was worthwhile	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* This meeting met <u>my expectations</u>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Improvement

Please give one suggestion for how to improve the format / organisation of these meetings?

I suggest that DG trade, DG Agri and DG Devco should consult more in depth the representatives of EU NGOs as most of the time the Commission CSOs meetings are mainly attended by representatives of European businesses whose first objective is to export more without any concern on the impact of their increased exports on the EU capacity to comply with its commitments on SDGs and climate change and on PCD. And more in-depth consultation with the EU NGOs is all the more necessary that African NGOs are hardly consulted by their governments.

Overall opinion on the DG Trade CSD process

What do you find most useful about the CSD?

I appreciate the high degree of openness of the representatives of the three DGs in this meeting but at the same time the high degree of their ignorance, excuse me for my frank language, of the issues which were on the agenda, particularly the AfCFTA, the TFRA and the EPAs. I will send you a paper summarizing my views on these issues.

What would you do to improve the Civil Society Dialogue and increase its usefulness for participants like you and for civil society in general?

It would suggest that the representatives of the three DG would agree to consult us, including by e-mails, in a more direct way, voluntarily and free of charges for the Commission, than through formal experts consultations implying expenses for the Commission budget.

Your views in more detail

If you would like to take part in an on-line focus group to provide further feedback on the Civil Society Dialogue, please supply your name and e-mail.

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