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***European Economic and Social Committee***

***External Relations Section***

**Hearing in the framework of the EESC opinion on a Multilateral Investment Court**

Tuesday 20 February 2018, 09.00-13.00 | European Economic and Social Committee | 2 rue Van Maerlant, room VMA3 (2nd floor)

***DRAFT PROGRAMME***

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| **09.00-09.15** | **Opening – Ms Benedicte Federspiel**, president of the EESC's study group on a multilateral court for the settlement of investment disputes |
| **09.15-09.45** | **Short introductions** by **Mr Philippe de Buck**, rapporteur, and **Ms Tanja Buzek**, co-rapporteur |
| **09.45-11.00** | **SESSION – Perspectives on the possible future establishment of a Multilateral Investment Court** |
|  | **Speakers**:   * **Mr Martin Lukas**, Head of Unit F2, Dispute settlement and Legal aspects of Trade Policy, DG TRADE, European Commission *(tbc)* * **Ms Anna Joubin-Bret**, Secretary, Director of the International Trade Law Division of UNCITRAL * **Mr James Zhan**, Director, Division on Investment and Enterprise, UNCTAD * **Dr Peter Schneiderhan**, Member of the Bureau of theGerman Magistrate Association (DRB) and senior public prosecutor * **Ms Luisa Santos**, Director for International Relations, BusinessEurope * **Mr Daniele Basso**, Advisor, European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) * **Ms Monique Goyens,** Director General, The European Consumer Organisation (BEUC) |
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| **11.00-11.30** | **Coffee break** |
| **11.30-12.45** | **Questions & answers**  **Discussion** |
| **12.45-13.00** | **Conclusions - Ms Benedicte Federspiel**, president of the EESC's study group on a multilateral court for the settlement of investment disputes |

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