

INVITATION

Mission of Switzerland to the European Union

Partners in Dialogue

H.E. Dr Roberto Balzaretti, Ambassador of Switzerland to the EU, cordially invites you to join the evening of discussion



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"TTIP: challenges and opportunities for third countries like Switzerland"

on Tuesday 12th January 2016 at 5.30 pm at the Mission of Switzerland to the EU, Place du Luxembourg 1, 1050 Brussels.

What's the state of play of the negotiations for a transatlantic free trade agreement? How will the EU and the U.S. deal with third countries like Switzerland? What are the options of Switzerland if its two main economic partners are negotiating a potentially game changing trade deal? Would Switzerland be better off joining a transatlantic free-trade zone or negotiating a bilateral free trade agreement with the U.S.? Or are there other options for Switzerland?

Programme

17:15 Registration

17:30 Welcome note

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{H.E.}}$ Dr Roberto Balzaretti, Ambassador of Switzerland to the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{EU}}$

Ambassador Dr Didier Chambovey
Delegate of the Federal Council for Trade Agreements, Head

of the World Trade Division in the Foreign Economic Affairs Directorate

Ignacio Garcia Bercero

Director DG Trade and EU's chief negotiator for TTIP

Panel discussion

Peter Chase

Vice-President of the US Chamber of Commerce

Prof. Jacques Pelkmans

Senior Research Fellow, Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS)

René Hoeltschi

Moderator

EU & Benelux Correspondent, Neue Zürcher Zeitung, Brussels

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19:00 Reception

Registration

To register please reply to partnersindialogue@eda.admin.ch by Friday 8th January 2016.

Please note that places are limited.

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