

# Information

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Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs  
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## Registration

Please register by 25 April via the following website:  
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The number of participants is limited.

Participants must present their confirmation of  
participation and a valid photo ID in order to gain  
access to the event.

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For further information, please email  
[TTIP@bmwi-registrierung.de](mailto:TTIP@bmwi-registrierung.de)

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extra time to access the building.

## Venue

Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs  
and Energy (BMWi)  
Conference center  
Entrance: Invalidenstraße 48  
10115 Berlin



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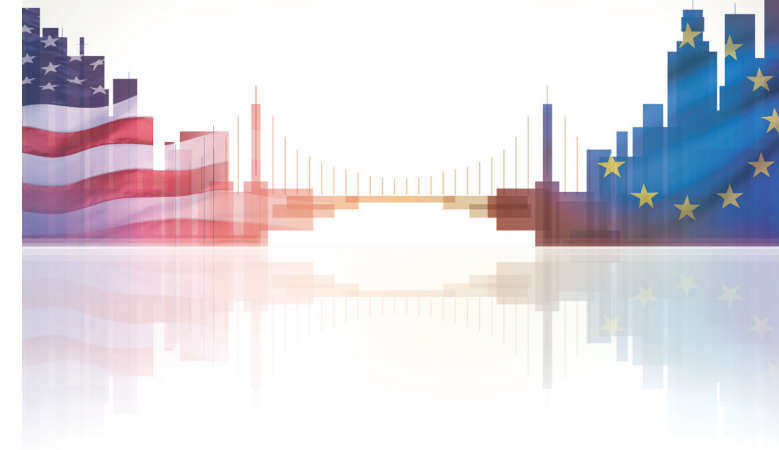
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## The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership –

pursuing a balanced trade policy for growth,  
global labour rights, consumer protection  
and public services

Invitation – May 5, 2014, Berlin

# Invitation

Dear Madam, dear Sir,



The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership negotiations are the most important transatlantic project of recent decades. An agreement between the European Union and the United States of America will involve the world's two largest trade blocs, meaning

that the standards it sets will be not only bilateral, but also global in nature. This is both an opportunity and a challenge.

I would like to discuss with you the opportunities this agreement could create for companies, consumers and workers and to consider the critical aspects of an agreement.

Our goal is to make these negotiations more transparent and to spotlight the interests of the parties involved. I am therefore particularly pleased that U.S. Trade Representative Michael Froman and European Commissioner for Trade Karel de Gucht, will be participating in this event to explain their views on the challenges and opportunities of these negotiations and to answer your questions.

The event will be followed by a panel discussion during which we will talk about the interests of businesses, consumers and workers.

I would like to invite you to this event at the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy on 5 May 2014 between 10.30am and 3pm. I very much hope that you will be able to join us.

Sincerely,

Sigmar Gabriel  
Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy

# Programme

<b>9:00</b>	<b>Registration of participants, refreshments</b>
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	<b>Welcome and opening</b> <b>Sigmar Gabriel</b> Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy
<b>11:00-11:15</b>	<b>How the USA sees the TTIP negotiations</b> Ambassador <b>Michael Froman</b> U.S. Trade Representative
<b>11:15 – 11:30</b>	<b>How the European Union sees the TTIP negotiations</b> <b>Karel De Gucht</b> EU Commissioner for Trade
<b>11:30 – 12:15</b>	<b>Question Time</b>
<b>12:15 – 14:00</b>	<b>Panel discussion and Q&amp;A</b> with the participation of: <b>Stefan Kapferer</b> State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy <b>Reiner Hoffmann</b> Chairman, German Trade Union Federation <b>Prof. Dr. Hubert Weiger</b> Chairman, Friends of the Earth, Germany <b>Bertram Kawlath</b> Managing director, Schubert & Salzer Feinguss Lobenstein GmbH
<b>14:00 - 15:00</b>	<b>Get-together</b>

**Note:** The event will be streamed live on the internet and can be followed at [www.bmwi.de](http://www.bmwi.de).