



8th ANNUAL FEPS-IPD CONFERENCE
Rewriting the rules
for a more progressive trade and investment model

15th April 2019
AT&T Forum
601 New Jersey Ave NW
Washington, DC 20001, USA

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“Between the faithful and unconditional promoters of free trade and the populist critiques defending protectionist and nationalist visions of the world, there is a critical political space for progressive forces to defend a regulated vision of globalization” (“For the many, not the few – A progressive model for trade and investment”, 2018).

During the past years, we have seen major challenges emerging on both sides of the Atlantic that are resetting the framework for European-U.S. relations. The Trump administration has recast the American policy rhetoric concerning key tenets of the transatlantic relationship, while Brexit, terrorism, populist backlashes, and economic uncertainty have undermined confidence in the future of the European Union. Against this background, you are cordially invited to join the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) and Initiative for Policy Dialogue (IPD) at their 8th annual conference for a discussion on the way forward for a more progressive trade policy.

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Speakers' Dinner

14th April

at Hyatt Regency Washington Hotel

On Capitol Hill, 400 New Jersey Ave NW, Washington, DC 20001, USA

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Conference Format

After the keynote speech by Professor Stiglitz, **the meeting will evolve as a roundtable discussion, inviting all participants to actively engage in the debate.** For each session, following short introductory remarks by the Chair of each session, there will be two or more high-level discussants. Then, with the moderation of the Chair, the discussion will open up to all attendees, allowing for a lively debate.

8:30-9:00

Registration & Breakfast

9:00-9:15

Opening

- **Ernst Stetter**, Secretary General, FEPS
- **Stephany Griffith-Jones**, Financial Markets Program Director, IPD
- **Enrique Guerrero Salom**, MEP, President, GPF
- **AT&T** (tbc)

9:15-10:45

Re-writing the Rules of our Economies
A Progressive Vision for Trade in Times of Transatlantic Uncertainty

Keynote address

Joseph Stiglitz, Nobel Memorial Prize laureate in Economic Sciences,
Economist and Professor at Columbia University

followed by a conversation with:

Barry Lynn, Executive Director, Open Markets Institute

Gustav Horn, Research Director, Marcoeconomic Policy Institute, Germany

moderated by: **Carter Dougherty**, Americans for Financial Reform

The discussion will take place on the occasion of the presentation of the book 'Re-writing the rules of the European economy' co-authored by Professor Stiglitz

10:45-11:00

Coffee Break



11:00-13:00 Roundtable #1:
What has happened? Trade Policy Deviations in the Era of Trump

Leading Questions: According to U.S. President Donald Trump, who was elected on a protectionist platform, the WTO system does not work for US interests, the US would be better served by bilateral deals and the US trade deficit is evidence for the need for greater protectionism. How can the EU and emerging economies resist this attack on multilateralism? How can the EU take advantage of its economic weight to reinforce the multilateral trading system, while improving its fairness for the poorest and enhancing Europe's contribution to trade and development?

Moderation and introductory remarks:

- **Eveline Herfkens**, former Minister of Development Cooperation of the Netherlands

Speakers:

- **Peter Bofinger**, Professor, University of Würzburg, former member of the German Council of Economic Experts
- **Sherman Robinson**, Senior Fellow, Peterson Institute for International Economics

13:00-14:00 Light Lunch

14:00-16:00 Roundtable #2:
International Trade Turmoil and WTO Reform

Leading Questions: The WTO system needs serious repairs and improvements if it is to remain the principal architecture of international trade. How can the EU and other nations lead the effort to reinvigorate multilateral trade negotiations and strengthen the WTO? How can we ensure greater transparency of international trade negotiations as well as their accountability to parliaments and the general public (taking the UN Climate negotiations as a model)? How can we increase trade's legitimacy?

Moderation and introductory remarks:

- **Peter Holmes**, Reader in Economics, University of Sussex

Speakers:

- **Aranca González**, Executive Director, International Trade Center
- **Pierre Sauv **, Senior Trade Specialist, The World Bank

16:00-16:15 Coffee Break



16:15-17:45 Roundtable #3:

Panel discussion on what lies ahead in trade politics

Leading Questions: Digital services and data are driving a new era in trade. How can we level the playing field, ensure gainful employment for all members of society and all countries, and foster an environment where technological change and digitisation bolster sustained trade relationships around the globe? How can we encourage that trade agreements protect existing social and environmental standards in all countries? Can there be adequate regulatory harmonization to allow a level playing field between China and Europe? If not, how do we design an international rules based system to garner gains of trade and protect our values, our politics, and our competitiveness? How do we ensure leveling up, rather than leveling down?

Moderation and introductory remarks:

- **Robert Kuttner**, Co-founder and co-editor, The American Prospect

Speakers:

- **Ignacio Garcia Bercero**, Director, Neighbouring Countries, USA and Canada, DG Trade, European Commission
- **Richard Kozul-Wright**, Director, Globalisation and Development Strategies Division in United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- **Lorri Wallach**, Director and Founder of Global Trade Watch, Public Citizen

17:45-18:00 Concluding remarks: **José Antonio Ocampo**, Co-President, IPD

18:00-19:00 – Reception at Venue



Draft List of participants

Joseph Stiglitz	President, IPD
Peter Bofinger	Professor, University of Würzburg, former member of the German Council of Economic Experts
Kemal Dervis	Former Deputy Prime Minister of Turkey, former head of the United Nations Development Programme, Brookings Institute
José Antonio Ocampo	Co-Director Central Bank of Colombia, Professor of Professional Practice in International and Public Affairs, Columbia University
Peter Holmes	Reader in Economics, University of Sussex
Ignacio Garcia Bercero	Director at the Directorate General for Trade, DG TRADE
Jeronim Capaldo	Research Fellow, GDAE's Globalization and Sustainable Development Program
Lorri Wallach	Director and Founder of Global Trade Watch, Public Citizen
Robert Johnson	President, Institute for New Economic Thinking
Ernst Stetter	Secretary General, FEPS
Vassilis Ntousas	Senior Policy Advisor, International Relations, FEPS
Ania Skrzypek	Senior Research Fellow, FEPS
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Paolo Alberti	Global Progressive Forum
Amar Bhattacharya	Brookings Institution
Kevin Gallagher	Institute for New Economic Thinking, Associate Professor of Global Economic and Development Policy, Boston University
Andy Green	Managing Director, Economic Policy, Center for American Progress
Riefqah Jappie	ITC head office in NY
Homi Kharas	Brookings
James Galbraith	University of Texas
Samuel S. Kortum	Professor, International Economics, Yale University
Craig van Grasstek	Harvard Kennedy School
Howard B. Dean	Governor, former Chairman of the Democratic National Committee