



Values first? Promoting EU norms through trade!

Luxembourg/ 6-8 March 2020

ABOUT THE EVENT

US President Donald Trump has shaken the foundations of global trade, slapping steep tariffs on billions of dollars' worth of goods from the EU and putting into question liberal international economic order. While on the other side China pivots ahead with aggressive international trade regime in Africa promoting alternative models of governance and values. As one of the EU's overarching objectives in international trade is to promote human rights and universal values, the proposed seminar aims to explore current international trade developments and how the core values of the EU are reflected in (free)trade agreements and investments with third countries.

The idea is to gather the thoughts of young liberals on international trade and condense them into a policy book that will be distributed and communicated to European decision-makers including the liberal Members of the European Parliament. The participants are asked to write essays on the topic that will later be compiled to a publication.

EVENT SCHEDULE

06 March 2020

Novotel Kirchberg

15h00 Welcome and objective setting
Edgaras Mascinskas, Vice-President, LYMEC

15h30 Trade wars – what is at stake?
Svenja Hahn, President, LYMEC

Group moves to the Parliament

17h00 Visit of the Parliament of Luxembourg
Carole Hartmann, MEP, Renew Europe Group,

19h30 DINNER



END OF THE FIRST DAY

07 March 2020

- 9h00** Liberal perspective on international trade
Marietje Schaake, D66, Former MEP (TBC)
- 10h30** Trade and human rights - challenges and opportunities for liberals
Monica Semedo, MEP, Renew Europe Group (TBC)
- 11h30** COFFEE BREAK
- 11h45** International trade and the role of the EU in setting global norms and standards
Former Malmström cabinet member, (TBC)
- 13h00** LUNCH
- 14h00** Discussion of the essays
Moderator: Edgaras Mascinskas, Vice-President, LYMEC
- 15h00** Speech from Party President and Minister **Corinne Cahen**
- 15H30** COFFEE BREAK
- 16H00** Towards an ELF publication
Moderator: Edgaras Mascinskas, Vice-President, LYMEC
- 18H00** Wrap-up and conclusions
- 19H00** DINNER

08 March 2020

END OF THE EVENT

Travel back home



With the support of:

Stichting IDI
LYMEC

An event organised by the European Liberal Forum (ELF). Supported by LYMEC in cooperation with Stichting IDI. Co-funded by the European Parliament.

Neither the European Parliament nor the European Liberal Forum are responsible for the content of the programme, or for any use that may be made of it. The views expressed herein are those of the speaker(s) alone. These views do not necessarily reflect those of the European Parliament and/or the European Liberal Forum asbl.