

Trading away Public Services? Seminar of the Pitfalls and Prospects for the Protection of Public Services in Bilateral Free Trade Agreements

Minutes of the seminar on 7 November 2011 - Brief report (in English, French & German)

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MEETING DOCUMENTS

- “Proposal for the Modernisation of the Treatment of Public Services in EU Trade Agreements” (EC paper, 26 October 2011)

- [EC paper on PS](#)

- Public services in bilateral free trade agreements of the EU
by Markus Krajewski, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg

- [PublicServicesFTAs
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PRESENTATIONS

- Public services in bilateral free trade agreements of the EU
Presentation of the results of the study
By Markus Krajewski, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg

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- What has international trade got to do with public services?

By David Hall, Public Services International Research Unit (PSIRU), University of Greenwich, UK

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- EU trade policy-making

Secretive, captured by big business, post-democratic

By Pia Eberhardt, Corporate Europe Observatory

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Putting EU commercial policy in its place: The Protection and Role of Public Services in Bilateral Free Trade Agreements

We are pleased to invite you to a seminar on 7 November organised jointly by the European Federation of Public Services Unions (EPSU), the Austrian trade union federation (ÖGB) and Austrian Federal Chamber of Labour (AK) on how public services are dealt with and impacted by trade agreements. This question has surfaced prominently in the current EU Canada trade negotiations. At the seminar we will present a new study carried on behalf of EPSU and the AK by Markus Krajewski University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, and we hope to have a lively exchange on the issues raised, including with representatives from civil society, the European Commission and the European Parliament.

A first draft agenda is below together with a participation form, to be returned to Anneke Krijger, akrijger@epsu.org, by 28 October 2011 at the latest.

The [background to the meeting and relevant documentation](#) can be found on the EPSU website. Some financial assistance, according to EPSU rules, will be available. Please contact Anneke Krijger for further details. Any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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