DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL POLICIES

Policy Department and Committee on International Trade



WORKSHOP

The Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA)

Brussels József Antall Building Room JAN 4Q2 Thursday, 1 March 2012 (15.00-18.30)

PROGRAMME

15.00 Welcome and introduction to the workshop by INTA Chairman Prof. Vital MOREIRA
15.15 Panel 1: A comprehensive assessment of the "Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement" (ACTA) and the EU IPR protection and enforcement-related trade policies.

Speakers: Mr Karel DE GUCHT, EU Commissioner for Trade

Dr Michael GEIST, University of Ottawa

Prof. Christophe GEIGER, CEIPI, University of Strasbourg

Panel 2: Presentation of the European Parliament's External Study entitled "The Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement" (Policy Department, 2011)

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Speakers: Prof. Anselm Kamperman SANDERS, Maastricht University

Prof. Dalindyebo SHABALALA, Maastricht University

The presentation will be followed by comments from the European Commission represented by Mr Pedro VELASCO MARTINS, Deputy Head of

Unit, DG TRADE (B-3)

17.15 Panel 3: Specific aspects of ACTA

The EU acquis and ACTA: Are civil liberties under threat? - What will be the likely impact of ACTA on EU Member States' national legislation on

IPR enforcement?

Speakers: Dr Olivier VRINS, partner, ALTIUS Lawyers

Mr Rupert SCHLEGELMILCH, EC, Director, DG TRADE (B)

Is ACTA likely to restrict access to medicines in developing countries? Is ACTA a potential danger for trade in generic drugs?

Speakers: Dr Meir PUGATCH, University of Haifa

Mr Rupert SCHLEGELMILCH, EC, Director, DG TRADE (B)

18.15 Concluding remarks by INTA rapporteur Mr David MARTIN

18.25 Closure of the workshop by INTA Chairman Prof. Vital MOREIRA