

Public Consultation on the future of EU-Mexico trade and economic relations

Objective of the consultation

This survey has been designed to gather the views of all stakeholders regarding the future trade and economic relationship between the European Union and Mexico. The European Union and Mexico concluded an Economic Partnership, Political Co-ordination and Co-operation Agreement, which entered into force in 2000. This Agreement established a Free Trade Area (FTA) placing EU-Mexico bilateral trade relations in a preferential framework. However, various important developments have occurred since then warranting a comprehensive update of the agreement.

In 2006, the European Commission adopted a ‘Global Europe’ strategy, modernising its agenda for EU trade policy and seeking deeper trade Agreements covering much more than tariff dismantling to also address regulatory barriers in goods, services and investment, intellectual property rights, government procurement, the protection of innovation, sustainable development and other important issues. Successive EU trade negotiations with Mexico's neighbours in the Americas (including the Agreement concluded with Canada) reflect this high level of ambition. At the same time, Mexico, too, is expanding its trade and investment ties through the negotiation of the Transpacific Partnership, as well as its work with the Pacific Alliance.

In light of those developments, and given the importance of the trade and economic relations between the EU and Mexico, the EU and Mexico decided, in the context of the EU- CELAC Summit in Santiago in January 2013, “*to explore the options for a comprehensive update of the Economic Partnership, Political Co-ordination and Co-operation Agreement between the EU and Mexico*”. A scoping exercise was completed by the time of the EU-Mexico Summit on 12 June 2015, and the Presidents of both sides announced “*to launch, in 2015, the process of starting negotiations, according to the legal framework of each side*”.

The contributions received in the context of this public consultation, together with the identification data of the respondent, will be published on the Internet, unless the respondent objects to publication of their identification data by clicking the appropriate box in the questionnaire (see section A in the questionnaire).

Note that this questionnaire must be completed and submitted within 90 minutes, otherwise the data will be lost. We suggest that you print the pdf document of the consultation, draft your replies separately and then copy/paste them into the respective fields in the questionnaire.

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