

ECCO Symposium #6 Review

ECCO Symposium #6 gathered over 130 participants from 18 nationalities on June 19 and 20 at Le Bourget. This event's main highlights are:

- The confirmation of the support brought to ECCO by the French Ministry of Finance on the one hand, and the French Ministry of External Trade on the other hand, through the speech proposed by Ms. Claire Waysand, representing Ms. Nicole Bricq, French Minister of External Trade;
- The collaboration of the European Commission in the review of the stakes of reciprocity in global trade;
- The very first presentation proposed by a Chinese official during an international conference dedicated to Offset;
- Although the Indian Offset authorities eventually did not attend, new information and perspective were brought by the panel composed by both industry representatives and experts.



Conference attendees can download the presentations proposed during this event on the ECCO Website. A summary of the conference proceedings will be added to this conference material in July.

Save the Date - Symposium #7



ECCO Symposium #7 will be held on November 20 and 21, 2013 in Southern France. Its Forum will discuss Offset within the EU and the implementation of Directive 2009/81/EC by Member States in particular, while its Workshop will focus on Offset and International Strategy.

Representatives of the European Commission were already invited as speakers.

More information about this event will be made available in September on www.regonline.com/eccosymposium7.

US-EU Trade Agreement

EU Member States granted the European Commission a mandate to initiate trade talks with the United States on June 14, and in order to negotiate a Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP). The first round of negotiations will be held in Washington on July 8, 2013.

This mandate includes public procurement, with a view to “enhance business opportunities through substantially improved access to government procurement opportunities at all levels of government on the basis of national treatment”, and “getting rid of local content requirements”.

Updates on negotiations can be retrieved [here](#).



Herman van Rompuy, Barack Obama and José Manuel Barroso. Photo: The Council of the European Union

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