Join the

European Parliament FAIR TRADE WORKING GROUP

to promote

EU policies for international fair and sustainable supply chains

WHAT IS THE EP FAIR TRADE WORKING GROUP?

Created in 2004, the EP Fair Trade Working Group (FTWG) is an informal group of Members of the European Parliament (MEPs) across political groups and countries. **Its objective is to create an enabling policy environment for fair and sustainable supply chains**.

Achievements so far: making it possible to have Fair Trade and sustainability requirements in public tenders (1); recognising the key role of Fair Trade in achieving the SDGs and committing to promote Fair Trade, e.g. "EU City Award for Fair and Ethical Trade" (2); ensuring non-EU farmers are protected against Unfair Trading Practices (3)

(1) 2014 Directive on Public Procurement

(2) 2015 EU Trade for All Strategy

(3) 2018 EU Directive on Unfair Trading Practices in the agricultural and food supply chains

PRIORITIES FOR THE NEW TERM

A lot remains to be done. We need **EU Trade policies and Development Cooperation policies that promote the uptake of fair Trade and fair and sustainable development.**

For instance, an action plan for fair and sustainable cocoa, textiles, an ambitious Fair Trade chapter in the Trade Strategy, and sustainable public procurement targets are some of the potential asks for this new term.

INTERESTED IN JOINING?



2018 EP Fair Trade Breakfast organized by the EP Fair Trade Working Group, with the presence of the EC Trade Commissionner, Cecilia Malmström

The EP FTWG welcomes all MEPs motivated to work on EU policies promoting Fair Trade and fair and sustainable international supply chains. You can play a role.

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ADVOCACY OFFIC

The FTWG is convened by the Fair Trade Advocacy Office

As a joint initiative of Fairtrade International, the World Fair Trade Organization and the World Fair Trade Organization-Europe, the Fair Trade Advocacy Office (FTAO) leads the Fair Trade movement political advocacy at European Union level and contributes to the strengthening of the political advocacy capacities of the global Fair Trade movement.

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