



## ALDE Seminar

### EU Foreign Direct Investment - How to protect European investments abroad?

Wednesday 14 November 14:00 to 16:00  
European Parliament JAN 4Q1

#### Draft Programme

- 13:30 Registration: European Parliament Brussels, JAN Building, Entrance via Esplanade
- 14:00 Welcome & Setting the Scene by **Silvana Koch-Mehrin**, MEP, ALDE Rapporteur for EU-Investment Policy

#### **Panel 1** **EU-Investment Protection Policy - A shift in competence with what implications for policy making and the protection of European investments abroad?**

- 14:10 **Karel de Gucht (confirmed)**  
European Commissioner for Trade
- 14:20 **Dr. Hans-Joachim Henckel (confirmed)**  
Director, Foreign trade and investment promotion, German Ministry of Economics and Technology (BMWi)
- 14:30 **Dr. James Zhan (confirmed)**  
Director, Investment and Enterprise Division, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- 14:40 **Discussion**

#### **Panel 2** **A new generation of Investment Agreements - What implications for policy priorities, dispute settlement and businesses?**

- 15:00 **Pascal Kerneis, (confirmed)**  
Managing Director, European Services Forum
- 15:10 **Nathalie Bernasconi-Osterwalder, (tbc)** ISSD  
Head Investment Programme
- 15:20 **Prof. Christoph Benedict, (confirmed)**  
General Counsel, Alstom Deutschland AG
- 15:30 **Discussion**
- 15:50 Closing remarks by **Silvana Koch-Mehrin**, MEP, ALDE Rapporteur for EU-Investment Policy

- Moderator** **Joshua Chaffin, (tbc)**  
EU correspondent, Financial Times