Wednesday 2 April 2014

International Seminar

**The EPA that the EU imposes vs The trade policy that Africa needs**

**Brussels,The International Auditorium**

5, Boulevard Albert II, 1000 Brussels

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Auditorium B

**Organisers** in alphabetical order

ActionAid, Africa Groups of Sweden, APRODEV, Both Ends, Brot für the Welt, CNCD-11.11.11, KASA, Réseau Forum Social Sénégalais, SEATINI; Third World Network Africa, SOS Faim, Traidcraft, 11.11.11,

The seminar wants assess what is on the table of the EPA negotiations so far and to what extend this matches with the economic development and trade needs of Africa, in particular with regard to agriculture, mining, industrialization and regional integration.

The seminar will take place in the context of the 1 October 2014 deadline that the EU has imposed for the ratification of the EPAs and will coincide with the EU-Africa Summit (Brussels, 2-3 April).

Programme

***9:30      1) The EPA that the EU imposes***

*Introduction:*

*Assessment of state of play, Marc Maes, 11.11.11:*

***11:30    Media stunt at the Summit venue / lunch***

***13:30    2) Land grabbing, dumping and agricultural policy for food security and agro processing***

*Introductions*

*• The agricultural policy Africa needs : Kalilou Sylla, ROPPA*

*• The threat of land grabbing: Mariam Sow, ENDA Tiers Monde/PRONAT*

*• What trade in agriculture between the EU and Africa, Jane Nalunga, SEATINI, Uganda*

***15:00   coffee***

***15:15   2) Land grabbing, dumping and agricultural policy for food security and agro-processing, continued***

***16:15    3) Mining, jobless growth and the industrialisation Africa needs***

*Introduction:*

*Sylvester Bagooro; TWN Africa, Ghana*

***17:15    4) Regional integration and the trade policy Africa needs for structural transformation***

*Introductions:*

*Timothy Kondo, ANSA, Zimbabwe*

*Mamadou Diouf Mignane, réseau Forum Social Sénégalais*

***18:00*Closing remarks**: Gérard Karlshausen, CNCD-11.11.11

Fr/Eng interpretation is provided

Participation is free, registration is required and still possible until Friday 28 March 2014 COB with marc.maes@11.be.