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from the trade environment and sustainability campaign
friends of the earth international

welcome to talking trade 5 the bulletin of friends of the earth international trade environment and sustainability program. this issue is packed with news about actions, trade negotiations and more. we have broken the issue into three sections to make it easier to access the information you want and need. part 1 – foe network news, activities and actions; part 2 – general trade news, actions and resources and part 3 – the upcoming events calendar.

make sure you send us your updates for the next issue damian.Sullivan@foe.org.au. we look forward to hearing from you.

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A small disclaimer: Not all the information and positions presented here are endorsed by the FoEI TES campaign, they are here to assist you in your campaigning

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• **GATS Action Alert**

GATS is back on the agenda and your group can make a significant contribution to restricting its progress (and eventually stopping it all together). Please see the FoEI GATS action alert and the draft letter available on the insite.

GATS Alert: http://members.foei.org/file_upload/2d5ca09b76ceba16e6ea471461cb56fd/GATS_Action_Alert_feb05.doc

Draft Letter: http://members.foei.org/file_upload/2d5ca09b76ceba16e6ea471461cb56fd/41efa352a72bdb6389dbdf53661eee63.doc

• **Global Week of Action: 10-16 April 2005** :: <http://www.april2005.org> (En, ESP, FR)

Semana de Acción Global :: <http://www.april2005.org/es/index.html>

Semaine Mondiale d'Action :: <http://www.april2005.org/fr/index.html>

Between 10-16 April, millions of people will take action to say that 'free trade is not working' and to call on governments and the international financial institutions to 'stop forcing economic liberalisation on the world's poor'. The idea is for all of the organisations, networks and movements to take action in their own national and regional campaigns. Many FoEE groups are taking up the challenge nationally and locally. FoEE is also engaged in planning an action in Brussels. Check <http://www.april2005.org/> for more details.

• **Hong Kong Ministerial – Civil Society organizing meeting Feb 2005**

The Hong Kong civil society organizing committee is well-established and promoting engagement with international civil society – social movements, ngos, trade unions etc.

Ronnie Hall will attend an international coordination committee meeting in late February.

The organizing committee has also produced a booklet for international groups interested in engaging with the Hong Kong Ministerial.

For a copy of the booklet: Contact damian.sullivan@foe.org.au or

http://members.foei.org/file_upload/2d5ca09b76ceba16e6ea471461cb56fd/brochure_of_HKPA_final

• **International Conference on Peoples Food Sovereignty**

Via Campesina has started a consultation process with other movements and NGO's on the organization of an *International Conference on Peoples Food Sovereignty*. A first result of these consultations was to have the Conference in Africa and for it to be hosted by

the AOPP from Mali. A steering committee with the social movements that are concerned (peasants, fisherfolk, environmental movement,) will be established, FoEI is on the steering committee. More information: See also: <http://www.peoplesfoodsovereignty.org/>

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• **FoE groups NAMA research – fish, forests, oil, mining and gas**

The TES coordinators along with a number of interested FoE groups (Netherlands and EWNl) have begun to coordinate research on Non Agricultural Market Access (NAMA), specifically fish, forests, oil, mining and gas. If you are interested in being more closely involved please email: ronnieh@foe.co.uk

• **TES Coordinators Meeting – Ferregum, Brazil January 18-19th 2005**

The TES coordinators held a long and productive meeting in Ferregum, Brazil. The full minutes and notes are linked below. A hot topic in the meeting was do we need to change our political positioning on the Hong Kong Ministerial given the death of the new issues, in particular should we continue to push to derail the WTO ministerial in Hong Kong. Ronnie Hall will circulate a summary of the meetings key findings in the coming week.

draft action points from the meeting (on insite):

http://members.foei.org/file_upload/2d5ca09b76ceba16e6ea471461cb56fd/ActionSummary_Coordinators_Brazil2005.doc

draft full meeting minutes (on insite) – please note, the summary is the best way to access the outcomes of the meeting::

http://members.foei.org/file_upload/2d5ca09b76ceba16e6ea471461cb56fd/draft_tescoordsminutes_brazil_jan2005_v3.doc

regional reports (on insite):

- **FoE International Campaign Coordinators Meeting**

Along with the TES coordinators meeting campaign coordinators from many of FoE International's campaigns met in Ferregum.

campaign news from tes groups - WSF :: FoE in Honduras, EWNI, Germany, Switzerland, Australia ::

- **World Social Forum – Trade related events (FoE International)**

Friends of the Earth International had a large contingent at the World Social Forum. **The main forums the TES program was involved in were 'Hands off our Natural Resources! Corporations, trade liberalisation and the commodification of nature'; 'Outcomes and implications of the WTO July Framework Agreement'; 'Alternatives to Neoliberal Globalisation'; 'WTO strategy: an international strategy meeting to map the road to Hong Kong' and 'Plenaria de Movimientos Sociales Contra a ALCA'. At the social forum there were also numerous events sponsored by FoE member groups. REDES played a key role in events on Water. There were also numerous events on People's Food Sovereignty.**

Hands of our Natural Resources / WTO Out of Natural Resources was a key event organised by Friends of the Earth with Our World is Not for Sale (OWINFS) speakers from the International Forum on Globalisation, the World Forum on Fisherfolk and Friends of the Earth Costa Rica, Colombia and International addressed the impact of trade liberalisation on natural resources and people's livelihoods.

- **CAFTA - DR - Services & Gender Public Forum - Movimiento Madre Tierra (FoE Honduras):**

On March 4th FOE Honduras will organize a public forum on CAFTA- Dominican Republic Services- and Gender. This forum will bring together members of the Medical College of Tegucigalpa, with the aim to inform them on how the potential implementation of the CAFTA-DR in Honduras will impact public health services, as well as the tentative repercussions on women and children in the country. Coordinator: Dr. Marisabel Riviera, MMT: FOE Honduras

- **Australia, Free Trade and the Pacific: Who Will Benefit? Public Forum (FoE Australia)**

How the Australian Government and Transnational Corporations are continuing the colonisation of Pacific Island communities. The forum with Professor Jane Kelsey and journalist/researcher Nic Maclellan considered how the Australian and New Zealand governments are pushing free trade agreements onto Pacific Island communities, before these communities have a chance to consider the costs and benefits to their societies and environments. See: Pacific Network on Globalisation <<http://www.pang.org.fj>> and http://www.melbourne.indymedia.org/calendar/event_display_detail.php?event_id=800&day=14&month=2&year=2005

- **Global Week of Action: FoE England, Wales and Northern island (FoE EWNI)**

During the week of action, FoE England Wales and Northern Ireland (EWNI) will encourage activists across England, Wales and Northern Ireland to help achieve a shift in thinking. Activities will focus on fun, simple public facing activities and more detailed lobbying work by activists both at local and national level. Check out how activities progress on http://www.foe.co.uk/campaigns/global_trade/index.html

- **Global Week of Action: FoE Germany Youth Congress and 'Unfair Football Game'**

BUNDjugend (FoE Germany youth branch) is currently preparing a youth congress Eco action on the subject "environment and globalisation", from 14-17 April in Berlin under the slogan "time for global justice". The 4 day long congress, aimed at 16-26 year olds, will include a variety of workshops on the WTO, transnational corporations and biopiracy, as well as much action planning. As part of the global week of action, an unfair football game between the "FC free trade" and the team "suffering from hunger" will be a highlight of the congress in Berlin.

- **WTO: Wishing you an un-happy birthday and TRIPS / Biopiracy (BUNDjugend)**

In January BUNDjugend (FoE Germany Youth) held an unhappy birthday party for the 10th anniversary of the WTO at the youth environment congress in Magdeburg. In November, BUNDjugend organised actions in Stuttgart and Berlin concerning Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) and biopiracy. A farcical patenting authority was set-up with the aim to

illustrate passer-bys the general flows of the TRIPs agreement by asking passer-bys to pay fees for their beers, glasses etc. The action terminated with a theatre play.

- **And the winner is... “Awards“ for irresponsible corporate behaviour (Pro Natura)**

On the opening day of the World Economic Forum (WEF) in Davos, Switzerland, the first “Public Eye Awards“ for irresponsible corporate behaviour were presented to a handful of multinational corporations by the Berne Declaration and Pro Natura – Friends of the Earth Switzerland - on 26 January.

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- **Alter-Globalisation Week: Budapest 13-16**

The "Seattle to Brussels Network" - a pan-European network campaigning to promote a sustainable, socially and democratically accountable system of trade - held its annual gathering in Budapest, Hungary. FoEE, who co-organised the meeting was also re-appointed as a coordinating group member, with Alexandra Wandel as the informal network's facilitator. In 2005 the S2B network will focus on the up-coming European Council trade ministerial meetings. For more details contact us.

- **GMO Trade War: Europe accused of secrecy**

FoEE has filed an official complaint to the European Ombudsman against the European Commission for refusing to release key documents concerning the GMO trade dispute currently underway at the World Trade Organisation (WTO). The Commission maintains that publishing these documents would undermine their case in the WTO, yet the US has published its documents on the internet. Copies and more info: www.foeeurope.org/biteback/Ombudsman/index.htm

- **Stop wrecking the planet, Mr. President!**

On 21-22 February President Bush visited Brussels to meet with the Belgian authorities, NATO representatives and EU officials. Friends of the Earth activists were present in Brussels with flags, placards and banners at both the major rallies called to coincide with the Bush visit. FoEE campaigners demanded Bush to withdraw the US complaint against Europe's precautionary stance on GMO at the WTO. See the press release at http://www.foeeurope.org/press/2005/MJ_18_feb_Bush_visit.htm

- **On the road to Nairobi: UNEP's Governing Council and Civil Society demands**

From 22-25 February, environment ministers from around the world will gather in Nairobi for UNEP's 23rd Governing Council (GC) meeting to discuss progress on international environmental governance, as well as to adopt UNEP's work programme for 2006-2007. FoEE and other ngos have written to European environment ministers asking them to ensure that global environmental treaties take precedence over WTO rules. FoEE groups will also be meeting with their respective environment ministries to discuss the demands. For a copy of the letter: <http://www.foeeurope.org/trade/about.htm>

- **Difficult relationships**

On Jan 13th, FoEE, Greenpeace, RSPB, FIELD and WWF met with the European Commission's DG for Trade and DG for the Environment to discuss the role of the EU in facilitating and clarifying the difficult relationship between the World Trade Organisation (WTO) and Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs). FoEE and Greenpeace presented the commission a joint discussion paper on the WTO/MEA relationship and urged the commission to initiate a debate within the UN system with a view of shifting the debate away from the WTO. The paper was also on the official agenda of the formal EU international working group on the environment at the beginning of February. The discussion paper is available at <http://www.foeeurope.org/WTO-MEA-04-07-2004.pdf>

- **Trade and Environment in Geneva**

On February 23, FoEE took part at a consultation meeting on the difficult trade and environment relationship, “Trade and environment: Strategies in the run-up to the Hong Kong WTO Ministerial meeting and beyond” organised by Centre for International Environmental Law (CIEL) and the Geneva Environment Network (GEN) in view of the World Trade Organisation's (WTO) Committee on Trade and the Environment (CTE) Special Session scheduled for February 24th.

- **FoEE: NGO spokesperson to the European Commission**

On December 16th 2004, Alexandra Wandel, FoEE TES Europe coordinator, was chosen as representative and spokesperson for the environment, among all Brussels-based environmental NGOs, in occasion of the high-level meeting between EU Commissioner for Trade, Peter Mandelson, and civil society. Alexandra presented Mandelson with a letter FoEE co-wrote with Greenpeace where he was asked to use his new position to advance global social justice and initiate the transition to an ecologically sustainable economy.

- **The EU failing to keep its promises?**

On January 20th 2005, during a meeting with civil society organisations (see above), EU Trade Commissioner Peter Mandelson announced that the EU's Lisbon Agenda will place competitiveness above all other considerations. Is this to be interpreted as the EU's failed commitment towards sustainable development? The EU's strategy paper for the Lisbon Agenda is expected to reach completion by mid/end of February.

- **Alternatives to Economic Globalisation**

On December 6, 2004, FoEE and the Belgium NGO umbrella 11.11.11 co-organised a debate on "alternatives to economic globalisation" with the International Forum on Globalisation. The debate, which took place in Brussels and brought together international NGOs, local groups and members of the European Parliament, focussed on the possibility to build a transatlantic civil society partnership on alternatives. The meeting, which highlighted key differences in the EU and US approaches to the alternatives debate, also highlighted the need to progress the debate much further within Europe.

- **March European Trade Network meeting**

On March 14th the European Trade Network (ETN), a network of Brussels-based NGOs active on trade issues, will meet in Brussels to discuss possible activities during the Global Week of Action. FoEE will present the network, of which it is a key coordinator, with an overview of the current activities planned by the Seattle to Brussels network at the Budapest meeting (see above). FoEE will also facilitate a session with the Luxembourg Presidency on the secrecy of EU trade policy making.

FoEI/OWINFS - Hands off our natural resources forum at the WSF <available from damian.sullivan@foe.org.au>



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general trade news

- **U.S. Dumping threatens small farmers, New report warns (En)**

WASHINGTON (IPS) - According to the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy (IATP), 10 years after the passage of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) Agreement on Agriculture, which prohibits dumping, the United States is still engaging in the practice on a large scale, leading to an oversupply that has driven commodity prices down worldwide.

Report: <http://www.tradeobservatory.org/library.cfm?refid=48532>

Fact sheet: <http://www.tradeobservatory.org/library.cfm?refid=48538>

- **G-33 Alliance meeting in Bandung, Indonesia – April 2005 (En)**

The G-33 alliance of developing countries -- fighting to protect sensitive farm products from trade liberalization under the World Trade Organization -- is to hold a ministerial meeting here ahead of the next WTO conference in Hong Kong. The G-33 now comprises 42 developing countries within the WTO, including China, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Korea, Mauritius, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, the Philippines, Peru, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Turkey, Venezuela and Zimbabwe.

- **Leaked: EU's trade agenda 2005: key themes, objectives and policies (En)**

Very useful leaked document prepared by DG Trade about the EU's trade agenda 2005: key themes, objectives and policies. For copies email alexandra.wandel@foeeurope.org or damian.sullivan@foe.org.au

- **Trade and climate change at the small island developing states (SIDS) meeting, (En)**

held from 10-14 January at Port Louis, Mauritius. **Tough negotiations on trade text -**

During negotiations, issues related to the erosion of trade preferences and effects on SIDS were under debate. Participants also addressed the question of whether a special category for small and vulnerable economies, such as the SIDS, should be established within the WTO.

More: <http://www.ictsd.org/biores/05-01-21/story2.htm>

- **Colombia: CONVOCATORIA DE SOLIDARIDAD ENTRE LOS PUEBLOS**

PROPUESTA DE COMUNICACIÓN PARA LA VERDAD Y LA VIDA
CAMINAR LA PALABRA DEL MANDATO INDÍGENA Y POPULAR
CONSULTA POPULAR FRENTE A LOS TRATADOS DE LIBRE COMERCIO, EL ALCA Y LA
GLOBALIZACIÓN NEOLIBERAL

Para leer versión electrónica de este documento ver: <http://nasaacin.net/noticias.htm?x=32>

- **Colombia: massacres, privatisations and Free Trade Agreement (EN, ESP)**

An analysis of violence in Colombia, its roots, the systematic massacres and human rights violations against peasants, indigenous people and workers are denounced by Héctor Mondragón, a "survivor", within the framework of the World Social Forum. http://www.choike.org/nuevo_eng/informes/2626.html

- **Colombia: masacres, privatizaciones y tratado de libre comercio**

Intervención de Héctor Mondragón (*) en el Foro Mundial de la Dignidad: Algunas personas creen que en Colombia comenzó la violencia con el narcotráfico. <http://www.choike.org/nuevo/informes/2566.html>

- **For life: ¡El Campo no aguanta más! (En)**

The Ecuadorian Peasant Confederation CONFEUNASSC-CNC, is making a callout to join forces with the Days of Resistance and Struggle against the neo-FTAA, known as the bilateral Free Trade Agreement, to take place in Quito on the 17 of April, the International day of Peasant Struggle:

http://www.bilaterals.org/article.php3?id_article=1248

news - wto and ifis

- **"Future of WTO" report launched, with some controversial proposals (En, ESP)**

The World Trade Organization on 17 January launched a report on "The Future of the WTO" which addresses several institutional issues, with recommendations to reform the way the organization works and how decisions are made. Author: Martin Khor, Third World Network

Source (choike.org): Third World Network: <http://www.twinside.org.sg/title2/twninfo179.htm>

WTO report see: http://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/10anniv_e/10anniv_e.htm#future

Controvertido informe sobre el futuro de la OMC

por Martin Khor. Recientemente, la Organización Mundial de Comercio dio a conocer un informe sobre su futuro, con dos aspectos destacables. Fustigó el crecimiento de los acuerdos bilaterales y regionales. También realizó varias propuestas, algunas de ellas controvertidas, acerca de cómo reformar la forma en que funciona.

Source (choike.org): http://www.redtercermundo.org.uy/texto_completo.php?id=2661

- **WTO: Race for WTO top job hots up (En)**

With the term of the present WTO Director-General Supachai Panitchpakdi ending in August, four aspirants to succeed him presented themselves to the WTO recently.

Source (choike.org): Third World Network: http://www.choike.org/nuevo_eng/informes/2652.html

- **WTO Director-General Candidates Woo Civil Society (En)**

The World Trade Organization is currently meeting with candidates for the Director-General position. For the first time in the WTO's history, three of the four candidates met with civil society leaders in Geneva to lay out their vision for the WTO. Pascal Lamy of France, Jaya Krishna Cuttaree of Mauritius and Luiz Felipe de Seixas Corrêa of Brazil. www.iatp.org

- **WTO Mini-Ministerials :: Kenya – March; OECD Mtg – May; China (?) - July**

A WTO Mini-Ministerial will take place in Kenya on 2-4 March. Participants are likely to include Trade Ministers from the US, EU, Brazil, India, Australia, Canada, Japan, Kenya and Switzerland. Another mini-ministerial is also planned for the sidelines of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development's annual ministerial gathering on 3-4 May. China has also offered to host a mini-ministerial in late June/early July or in September. (Source TWN Africa)

- **Eminent persons issue report on 'The future of the WTO' (En, ESP, FR)**

Reeport of the Consultative Board chaired by Mr. Peter Sutherland, "The Future of the WTO: addressing institutional challenges in the new millennium":

http://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/10anniv_e/10anniv_e.htm#future

PERSONALIDADES EMINENTES ELABORAN UN INFORME SOBRE "EL FUTURO DE LA OMC"

El 17 de enero de 2005, el Director General Supachai Panitchpakdi expresó su satisfacción ante el informe del Consejo Consultivo presidido por el Sr. Peter Sutherland. Con ocasión de la celebración del 10º aniversario de la OMC, el Dr. Supachai dijo que "no cabe duda de que es necesario reflexionar seriamente sobre el modo de mejorar nuestro funcionamiento preservando al propio tiempo los puntos fuertes de esta institución".

"El futuro de la OMC: Afrontar los retos institucionales en el Nuevo milenio":

http://www.wto.org/spanish/thewto_s/10anniv_s/10anniv_s.htm#future

- **WTO Chairpersons for 2005 (En, Esp, Fr)**

New chairpersons for WTO bodies and new chairperson - Amb. Amina Chawahir Mohamed of Kenya (source: wto)

Press release: http://www.wto.org/english/news_e/pres05_e/pr396_e.htm

WTO General Council: http://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/gcounc_e/gcounc_e.htm

Chairpersons of WTO Bodies – 2005

General Council H.E. Ms. Amina Chawahir MOHAMED (Kenya)	Committee on Trade and Development H.E. Mr. Gomi THARAKA SENADHIRA (Sri Lanka)
Dispute Settlement Body H.E. Mr. Eirik GLENNE (Norway)	Committee on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions Mr. Víctor ECHEVARRÍA UGARTE (Spain)
Trade Policy Review Body H.E. Mr. Don STEPHENSON (Canada)	Committee on Regional Trade Agreements H.E. Mr. Ronald SABORÍO SOTO (Costa Rica)
Council for Trade in Goods H.E. Mr. Vesa Tapani HIMANEN (Finland)	Committee on Budget, Finance and Administration Mr. Jan-Meinte POSTMA (Netherlands)
Council for Trade in Services H.E. Ms. Claudia URIBE (Colombia)	Working Group on Trade and Transfer of Technology H.E. Mr. Manuel Antonio J. TEEHANKEE (Philippines)
Council for TRIPS H.E. Mr. CHOI Hyuck (Korea)	Working Group on Trade, Debt and Finance H.E. Mr. KWERONDA-RUHEMBA (Uganda)
Committee on Trade and Environment H.E. Mr. Shree Baboo Chekitan SERVANSING (Mauritius)	

PRESIDENTES DE LOS ÓRGANOS DE LA OMC PARA EL AÑO 2005

El 15 de febrero de 2005, el Consejo General tomó nota del consenso sobre la lista de nombres para ocupar los cargos de presidentes de los órganos de la OMC y eligió como Presidenta a la Embajadora Amina Chawahir Mohamed, de Kenya.

> Comunicado de prensa:

http://www.wto.org/spanish/news_s/pres05_s/pr396_s.htm

Consejo general: http://www.wto.org/spanish/thewto_s/gcounc_s/gcounc_s.htm

- **Conferencia Regional sobre las Oportunidades y Desafíos del Tratado de Libre Comercio entre Centroamérica y Estados Unidos (CAFTA)**

San Salvador, El Salvador Febrero 17 - 18, 2004

<http://wbln1018.worldbank.org/LAC/LAC.nsf/ECADocByUnid2ndLanguage/5436286839A751BA85256DD000687C19?Opendocument>

Conference: “Opportunities and Challenges of CAFTA for Central America”, which is co-sponsored by the World Bank Group and the United Kingdom’s Department for International Development

<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/NEWS/0,,contentMDK:20162687~isCURL:Y~menuPK:34467~pagePK:64003015~piPK:64003012~theSitePK:4607,00.html>

- **World Bank - Tightening TRIPS: The Intellectual Property Provisions of Recent US FTAs (En)**

This World Bank Trade Note (February 7, 2005) offers an overview of the main elements, in which recent US FTAs go beyond multilateral standards on intellectual property.

<http://siteresources.worldbank.org/INTRANETTRADE/Resources/Pubs/TradeNote20.pdf>

resources

- **African Trade Agenda January 2005 : STOP EPAs, ... (En)**

African Trade Agenda is a newsletter, published monthly Third World Network - Africa

<http://www.twnafrica.org/tradeagenda.asp>

Content: ** Stop EPAs Campaign gains momentum *** The case against EPAs *** Africa ministers stun EC Trade Director *** WTO: Davos Mini-ministerial—False Optimism ***

- **The South Centre and CIEL IP Quarterly Update (En)**

Analyzes the work conducted in the Council for TRIPS in 2004 and considers possible strategies for the intellectual property and development agenda in the WTO in 2005 and beyond.

<http://www.southcentre.org/info/scielipquarterly/ipdev2004q4.pdf>

- **bilaterals.org :: website and mailing list :: EN, ESP, FR**

bilaterals.org weekly is an electronic mailout of the latest additions to the site, released each Friday

- **New section on www.trade-environmental.org (En)**

A new section featuring a collection of submissions by WTO Members on trade and environment has been added to ICTSD's web portal trade-environment.org. <http://www.trade-environment.org/page/theme/tewto/wtosubmissions.htm>

- **Glossary – A guide to “WTO Speak” (EN, ESP, FR)**

This glossary is designed to help understanding of some of the terms used in the WTO and in international trade. (source: wto)

http://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/glossary_e/glossary_e.htm

GLOSARIO DE TÉRMINOS - GUÍA DE "LA JERGA DE LA OMC"

Este glosario está concebido para ayudar a comprender algunos de los términos utilizados en la OMC y en el comercio internacional.

http://www.wto.org/spanish/thewto_s/glossary_s/glossary_s.htm

- **Updated: WTO and OECD Trade capacity building database (TCBDB) (En, ESP)**

<http://tcbdb.wto.org/index.asp?lang=ENG>

Programa de Doha para el Desarrollo (BDATRCC). asistencia técnica y creación de capacidad relacionadas con el comercio - la OMC, y la OCDE

<http://tcbdb.wto.org/index.asp?lang=ESP>

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Green - FoE Internal Focus

Blue - European Focus

march

1-8 **Beijing +10 review - GLOBAL WEEK OF ACTION FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS**
<http://www.wedo.org/>

2-4 **WTO Mini-Ministerial – Egypt**
Source: TWN Africa

april

1-8 **Beijing +10 review - GLOBAL WEEK OF ACTION FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS**
<http://www.wedo.org/>

13-17 **Global Week of Action / Semana de Acción Global**
Info <http://www.april2005.org/>
<http://www.april2005.org/es/index.html>

20–22 **WTO Public Symposium: “WTO after 10 years: Global Problems and Multilateral Solutions”**
web: http://www.wto.org/english/news_e/events_e/symp05_e/symposium_2005_e.htm
Deadline for registration is 8 April 2005.

G-33 Alliance meeting in Bandung, Indonesia

may

Proposed TES Strategy Meeting

june

13-17 **Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (Montreal, Canada)**
Second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP/MOP-2)

july

6-8 **G8 Meeting Scotland**
Where: Gleneagles Hotel in Perthshire, about 40 miles/70 kilometres away from Edinburgh
Info: See for example: <http://www.dissent.org.uk/>
FoEI: IFIS, Climate

August

September

14-16 **UN Millennium +5 Summit**
Where: Gleneagles Hotel in Perthshire, about 40 miles/70 kilometres away from Edinburgh
Info: <http://www.un-ngls.org/MDG/unaction.htm#d>

October

November

December

13-18 **WTO Fifth Ministerial Hong Kong**
http://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/minist_e/min05_e/min05_e.htm

TES Calendar 2006

May 2006

13-17 **Convention on Biological Diversity (Brazil)**
What: Eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP-8)
Info: <http://www.biodiv.org/biosafety/default.aspx>
FoEI: GMOS, Biodiversity

Not Finalised

International Conference on Peoples Food Sovereignty
Via Campesina
Where Mali, Africa

- **WTO Calendar of Events 2005 (En, **ESP**, **Fr**)**

http://www.wto.org/english/news_e/events_e/events_e.htm

OMC Calendario de actos para 2005

http://www.wto.org/spanish/news_s/events_s/events_s.htm

OMC Calendrier des manifestations en 2005

http://www.wto.org/french/news_f/events_f/events_f.htm

- **WTO Meetings**

http://www.wto.org/english/news_e/meets.pdf