



Rhein-Neckar Forum I

T-TIP: Hope or Hype?

A Look at the Proposed Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership

Program

Friday, December 13, 2013

- 2:00 p.m. Welcome
Detlef Junker, Founding Director, HCA
Eckhard Janeba, Professor of Economics, Mannheim University
- 2:15 p.m. **KEYNOTE**
"Mega-regionalism and Re-engineering the Global Trading System"
Joseph Francois, Professor of Economics, Johannes Kepler University, Linz
- 4:00 p.m. Coffee Break
- 4:15 p.m. **SESSION I: TAKING STOCK OF TRADE AGREEMENTS**
- "The Effects of Preferential Trade Agreements on the Multilateral Process"
Daniel Bernhofen, School of International Service, American University, Washington, D.C.
- "Transatlantic Free Trade and Its Potential Consequences"
Gabriel Felbermayr, Director, Ifo Center for International Economics, Munich
- Chair: *Eckhard Janeba, Professor of Economics, Mannheim University*
- 5:30 p.m. Coffee Break
- 6:00 p.m. **ROUNDTABLE: T-TIP: HOPE OR HYPE?**
- Susan Ariel Aaronson, Professor of International Affairs, George Washington University*
Kurt Bock, CEO, BASF SE
Celeste Drake, Trade Policy Specialist, AFL-CIO
Andreas Povel, General Manager, American Chamber of Commerce in Germany, Frankfurt
- Moderator: *Jackson Janes, President, American Institute for Contemporary German Studies (AICGS), Washington, D.C.*

RECEPTION



Saturday, December 14, 2013

9:15 a.m. **SESSION II: MARKET ACCESS**

"What Role Does Increased Market Access Play in Realizing the Gains from Increased Trans-Atlantic Trade?"

Hanna Norberg, Institute for International and Development Economics, Lund University

"Course Correction: Fresh Ideas to Improve Chances for TTIP Success"

Daniel Ikenson, Director, Herbert A. Stiefel Center for Trade Policy Studies, Cato Institute, Washington, D.C.

Chair: *Switgard Feuerstein, Professor of International Economics, Alfred Weber Institute for Economics, Heidelberg University*

11:00 a.m. Coffee Break

11:15 a.m. **SESSION III: ENVIRONMENTAL AND LABOR ISSUES**

"T-TIP and the EU Environmental Acquis"

Christiane Gerstetter, Ecologic Institute, Berlin

"T-TIP and Jobs: Trading Away People's Lives?"

Celeste Drake, Trade Policy Specialist, AFL-CIO

Chair: *Martin Thunert, Senior Lecturer in Political Science, HCA*

1:00 p.m. Lunch

3:00 p.m. **SESSION IV: LOOKING AHEAD**

"Do Trade Agreements Work?"

Peter Egger, Professor of Applied Economics, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Zurich

"What should Future Trade Agreements Include and Exclude: An EU and US Template"

Susan Ariel Aaronson, Professor of International Affairs, George Washington University

Chair: *Detlef Junker, Founding Director, HCA*

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

7: 00 p.m. **CONFERENCE DINNER**