## **DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL POLICIES**

Policy Department and Committee on International Trade



## **WORKSHOP**

## THE FUTURE OF THE WTO AND INTERNATIONAL TRADING SYSTEM

Brussels Altiero Spinelli Building Room A3E-2 Tuesday, **8 May 2012** (10.00-12.30)

DRAFT PROGRAMME	
10.00	Welcome and introduction to the workshop by the Chairperson of the Committee on International Trade Prof. Vital Moreira
10.15	<b>Introductory statement by Mr Alejandro Jara,</b> Deputy Director-General, WTO
10.30	Panel 1: Identifying the reasons behind the institutional crisis and providing high-level guidance
Speakers:	<ul> <li>a) Institutional reform of the WTO?</li> <li>Prof. Pierre Sauvé, Deputy Managing Director and Director of Studies</li> <li>World Trade Institute, Bern and College of Europe</li> </ul>
Speakers:	b) Institutional crisis at the WTO and possible solutions Prof. Gary Clyde Hufbauer, Peterson Institute on International Economy, Washington D.C.
11.00	Panel 2: Assessing the options for WTO reform
	a) The role of WTO in a rapidly changing International Economic Order
Speakers:	<b>Dr. Amrita Narlikar</b> , Reader, Centre for the Emerging Powers, University of Cambridge
	b) Towards greater coherence and transparency
Speakers:	<b>Mr Bernard Hoekmann,</b> Director of the International Trade Department of the World Bank
12.15	Closure of the workshop by the chair