

Ex-post evaluation of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) between the EU and Canada

NEWSLETTER

First Newsletter |

DEAR STAKEHOLDER,

This is the 1st newsletter of the CETA ex-post Evaluation project that the Trade Impact team carries out for DG TRADE. The project started in January 2024. We are happy to share the launch of the website and present a draft timeline of the project.

PROJECT WEBSITE IS ONLINE

We want to inform you that the **website** for this project has been launched and can be accessed at: www.ceta-evaluation.eu. You can study the objectives of the study as well as the timeline, document repository, and the envisaged consultation activities. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the study team via [this link](#).

UPCOMING CIVIL SOCIETY MEETING - 18 APRIL 2024

On 18 April 2024, the **EU Civil Society Dialogue** on the CETA ex-post evaluation will take place, **digitally**, to discuss the draft Inception Report. The event is for EU stakeholders. The draft Inception Report and link to subscribe to the event will be published on the project website two weeks in advance. All stakeholders can provide written inputs to the study by email: team@ceta-evaluation.eu.

FURTHER INDICATIVE TIMELINE

- **April 2024 – September 2024:** online surveys will be available for stakeholders to express their opinions about the Agreement and how it has affected them. Apart from a general survey, a dedicated survey for businesses and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) will be made available.
- **April 2024 – October 2024:** 2nd phase of the study (after the Inception Phase) where we focus on analysis of the impact areas, including via consultations with stakeholders.
- **October 2024 – March 2025:** final phase of the study, where we continue to engage with stakeholders and prepare the (draft) final report.

Stay updated and make yourself heard!



INFORMATION ABOUT THE STUDY

21 September 2023 marked the sixth anniversary of the provisional application of the CETA. The objective of this ex-post evaluation is to carry out an evidence-based analysis of the economic, social, environmental, and human rights impact of the CETA after five years of provisional application have passed. The assessment relies on economic modelling, literature review, statistical data analysis and continuous and wide-ranging stakeholder consultations.

Related to the impact areas, the analysis consists of four sustainability pillars: economic, social, environmental, and human rights. Additionally, through case studies, the evaluation provides an in-depth analysis of specific issues, such as environmental goods and services, procurement, critical raw materials, agricultural goods, and conformity assessment.

