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## TTIP: MEPs differ on safeguards for data, services, environment and investment

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## Eight hundred and ninety-eight amendments to a draft resolution on progress in talks with the US on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) were debated by the International Trade Committee on Monday.

"The amendments we are looking at today show that there are four main areas in which MEPs are currently divided. These are data protection, which services could be opened up to US suppliers, environmental sustainability and investor protection rules", said EP Trade Committee chair and TTIP rapporteur Bernd Lange (S&D, DE), in the debate. Mr Lange stressed that much further work and political compromise would be needed to build a strong majority behind the final resolution to be voted by Parliament as a whole in June.

This week, six of the 14 committees contributing input to the draft text – those on the environment, agriculture, culture, petitions and constitutional and legal affairs - will vote on their opinions on Tuesday and Thursday.

The TTIP resolution also has a new timeline – the vote in the lead International Trade committee has now been postponed to 28 May and the plenary vote to June (tbc) – see more information on dates and links to documents in the updated Background Note.

You can watch the video recording of the debate on EP Live and our Twitter coverage on @EP\_Trade using #TTIP.

## **Further information**

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