

# The official launch of the World Input-Output Database (WIOD)

Brussels, Belgium April 16, 2012

On April 16, the European Commission hosted a high-level conference in Brussels on Competitiveness, trade, environment and jobs in Europe: Insights from the World Input Output Database (WIOD). [Registration](#) for this event was mandatory. The registration deadline was 10 April. On April 16 the [World Input-Output Database](#) has become available to the general public. This database has been developed to analyse the effects of globalization on trade patterns, environmental pressures and socio-economic development across a wide set of countries. The database covers 27 EU countries and 13 other major countries in the world for the period from 1995 to 2009. Broadly, it consists of time series of World Input-Output tables and International Supply and Use tables; National Input-Output tables and National Supply and Use tables; Socio-Economic Accounts and Environmental Accounts.

High-level conference on "Competitiveness, trade, environment and jobs in Europe: Insights from the new World Input Output Database (WIOD)"		
Location: <a href="#">Hotel Sofitel</a> , Address: 1, Place Jourdan 1040 Brussels		
<b>Room Paul Henri Spaak</b>		
<i>Morning session</i>	<b>COMPETITIVENESS, TRADE AND JOBS IN EUROPE: INSIGHTS FROM WIOD</b>	
Moderator:	<b>Bart van Ark</b> (The Conference Board)	
9.15-9.30:	<i>Introduction and Welcome</i>	
	<b>Erik Dietzenbacher</b> (WIOD consortium, University of Groningen)	<a href="#">Slides</a>
	<b>Marianne Paasi</b> (DG Research, European Commission)	
9.30-10.15:	Statements by deputy Director General of WTO <b>Alejandro Jara</b>	
	<a href="#">Statements by Trade Commissioner</a> <b>Karel De Gucht</b>	
10.15-11.00:	<a href="#">Overview presentation of WIOD findings</a> <b>Marcel Timmer</b> (WIOD consortium, University of Groningen)	<a href="#">Slides</a>
11.00-11.30:	<i>Coffe break</i>	
11.30-12.50:	<i>Policy panel on "Does Europe still have a competitive advantage?"</i>	<a href="#">Slides</a>
	<b>Nadim Ahmad</b> (Division Head Statistics Directorate, OECD)	
	<b>Robert Koopman</b> (Chief Economist, US International Trade Commission)	
	<b>Isabelle Grilo</b> (Head of Unit "Product Market Reforms", DG ECFIN, European Commission)	

	<b>Lucian Cernat</b> (European commission, Chief Economist, DG Trade, European Commission)	
	<b>Hubert Escaith</b> (Chief Statistician, WTO)	
12.50-13.00:	Closing remarks by <b>Signe Ratto</b> , Director of Trade Strategy and Analysis, Market Access of DG Trade, European Commission	
<i>Afternoon session</i>	<b>APPLICATIONS OF THE WIOD DATABASE</b>	
Moderator:	<b>Erik Dietzenbacher</b> (WIOD consortium, University of Groningen)	
14.30-14.45:	Welcome remarks by <b>Luis Delgado</b> , Head of Unit "Sustainable Production and Consumption", Joint Research Centre (IPTS)	
14.45-15.30:	<i>Introduction to the WIOD Database</i>	
	Contents and construction of the database, <b>Bart Los</b> (University of Groningen)	<a href="#">Slides</a>
	Socio-economic satellite accounts: Construction and stylized facts, <b>Robert Stehrer</b> (WIIW)	<a href="#">Slides</a>
	<a href="#">Stehrer background document 1</a>	
	<a href="#">Stehrer background document 2</a>	
	<a href="#">Stehrer background document 3</a>	
	<a href="#">Stehrer background document 4</a>	
	Environmental satellite accounts: Construction and stylized facts, <b>Aurélien Genty</b> (IPTS)	<a href="#">Slides</a>
15.30-16.00:	<i>Tea / coffee</i>	
16.00-17.00:	<i>Employment and Environmental applications</i>	
	<a href="#">How does international trade contribute to a sustainable growth of employment?</a> <b>José Manuel Rueda-Cantuche</b> (IPTS)	<a href="#">Slides</a>
	<a href="#">Technological change and energy demand in Europe</a> , <b>Kurt Kratena</b> (WIFO)	<a href="#">Slides</a>
	<a href="#">Peeling the onion: Analyzing European energy intensity on aggregate, national and sectoral level</a> , <b>Michael Schymura</b> (ZEW)	<a href="#">Slides</a>
	Questions and answers	
17.00-17.10:	Closing remarks by <b>Erik Dietzenbacher</b> (WIOD consortium, University of Groningen)	