

# Trade Sustainability Impact Assessment in support of the FTA and IPA negotiations between the EU and India

## NEWSLETTER

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### DEAR STAKEHOLDER,

This is the fourth newsletter in the EU-India impact assessment project. We are now moving forward to the impact analysis and will be looking at sectors, groups, and issues likely to be affected by the agreements under negotiation. This is why we invite you to share your views with us and engage in active dialogue. Also, we want to inform you about the publication of the final version of the Inception Report.

### FINAL INCEPTION REPORT

The final version of the Inception Report, presenting the methodology, the stakeholder consultation programme, questionnaires, timeline and next steps, has been published on the study [website](#) and can also be downloaded from the [European Commission website](#). The report consists of two volumes, [the main report](#) and the [Annex](#). We want to thank all stakeholders for their comments.

### SURVEYS, INTERVIEWS, POSITION PAPERS

So far, we have received only five responses for the online surveys. We would like to kindly remind you that [surveys](#) are online [until 26 June 2023](#) and to invite you again to fill in your responses that will matter for the results of this study.

Also, while some stakeholders have already been approached for [interviews](#) to be held this month, we would like to invite other stakeholders to reach out to us to schedule interviews and share their views and provide inputs to the study.

Finally, we want to thank those stakeholders who have already sent their [position papers](#) and remind others that you can send your contributions to [contact@eu-india-tsia.eu](mailto:contact@eu-india-tsia.eu)

### KEY DATES AND INDICATIVE TIMELINE

- **10 March to 26 June:** The Open Public Consultation & Business/SME surveys are online to collect your views on the agreements under negotiation.
- **May-June:** submission of the draft Interim chapters to the Commission – followed by the Civil Society Dialogue meeting. Your comments will be welcome again!

*Stay updated and make yourself heard!*



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### INFORMATION ABOUT THE STUDY

In 2022, the European Union (EU) and the Republic of India formally relaunched EU-India negotiations on a comprehensive and mutually beneficial Free Trade Agreement (FTA) and launched separate negotiations on an Investment Protection Agreement (IPA).

Trade Sustainability Impact Assessment (SIA) is a robust analysis of the potential impact that the FTA and IPA negotiated between the European Union and India could have on the economy, society, environment, and the enjoyment of human rights in India or the EU.

Related to the impact areas, the analysis consists of four sustainability areas: economic, social, environmental and the one related to human rights.

The assessment relies on economic modelling, literature review, statistical data analysis and continuous consultations.

