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NETWORK ON INTEGRATION AND TRADE (ELSNIT)  
TRADE FACILITATION**

KIEL, GERMANY  
OCTOBER 23-24, 2015

**AGENDA**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23**

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08:15 – 08:45 REGISTRATION

08:45 – 09:00 WELCOMING REMARKS

**Holger Görg** (Kiel Institute for the World Economy – Germany)

**Christian Volpe Martincus** (IDB/INT)

**MORNING SESSION**

**Moderation: Bernard Hoekman** (European University Institute – Italy)

09:00 – 10:00 *Keynote Lecture: Trade Facilitation in the International Trade Literature*

**Bruce Blonigen** (University of Oregon – USA)

**Moderation: Matthieu Crozet** (University of Paris Sud and CEPII – France)

10:00 – 11:00 *Out of the Border Labyrinth: Trade Facilitation under Impact Evaluation*

**Christian Volpe Martincus** (IDB/INT)

Comments by **Bruce Blonigen** (University of Oregon – USA)

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 *Export Diversification Effects of the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement*

**Simon Neumüller** (World Trade Organization)

Comments by **Roberto Álvarez** (Universidad de Chile – Chile)

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

**Moderation: Simon Evenett** (Universität St. Gallen)

14:00 – 15:00 *Need for Speed: Is Faster Trade in the EU Trade-Creating?*  
**Cecília Hornok** (Central European University– Hungary)  
Comments by **Marcelo Olarreaga** (Université de Geneve– Switzerland)

15:00 – 16:00 *Trade Facilitation and Trade: Indicators and Impacts*  
**Silvia Sorescu** (OECD)  
Comments by **Marcela Meléndez** (Econestudio– Colombia)

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee Break

**Moderation: Jacint Jordana** (IBEI and Universitat Pompeu Fabra – Spain)

16:30 – 17:30 *Trade impact of “new” and “old” sanitary standards over MERCOSUR’s beef exports: is it worth fishing in troubled waters?*  
**Juan Labraga** (Universidad ORT – Uruguay)  
Comments by **Anne-Celia Disdier** (Paris School of Economics, INRA – France)

17:30 – 18:30 *WCO Immediate Release Guidelines-State of Application in the Eve of the ATF Adoption*  
**Cezary Sowinski** (DHL)  
Comments by **Lars Nilsson** (European Commission – DG Trade)

20:00 Dinner (TBC)

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

#### MORNING SESSION

**Moderation: Gianmarco Ottaviano** (London School of Economics – United Kingdom)

09:00 – 10:00 *Institutional Aspects of Trade Facilitation*  
**Hao Wu** (World Customs Organization)  
Comments by **Federico Weinschelbaum** (Universidad de San Andrés – Argentina)

10:00 – 11:00 *How Aid for Trade Helps Reduce the Burden of Trade Costs on SMEs*  
**Olga Solleder** (International Trade Center)  
Comments by **Holger Görg** (Kiel Institute for the World Economy – Germany)

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 *Trade Costs in the Developing World, 1995-2012*  
**Ben Shepherd** (Developing Trade Consultants – USA)  
Comments by **Daniel Chiquiar** (Banco de México– México)

#### POLICY PANEL

**Moderation: Rolf Langhammer** (Kiel Institute for the World Economy – Germany)

12:30 – 13:30 *Policy Panel– Trade Facilitation: What’s Next?* **Eduardo Sperisen** (Mission of Guatemala to the WTO), **Simon Neumüller** (World Trade Organization), **Olga Solleder** (International Trade Center), **Silvia Sorescu** (OECD), **Christian Volpe Martincus** (IDB/INT), **Hao Wu** (World Customs Organization)