

Press Release

MEPS urged to back anti-dumping agreement

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The European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) and industriAll Europe call on MEPs to vote tomorrow – Tuesday 14 November – in favour of the agreement by the European Commission, Parliament and Council on anti-dumping.

The trade unions welcome the new method for assessing whether dumping caused by state subsidies is taking place. Indeed, the new method

- does not grant market economy status to China, and
- allows non-respect of labour and environmental rules to be considered in anti-dumping cases.

“Fair trade is at the core of our demands” said Luis Colunga, Deputy General Secretary of industriAll Europe. *“We cannot accept unfair trade practices further eroding Europe’s industrial base, and European workers losing their jobs, because state subsidies allow countries to dump their products on our markets.”*

“This is clear progress” said Liina Carr, Confederal Secretary of the ETUC. *“It is the first time in history that non-respect of labour rights can be legally challenged in trade defence. We can finally fight against social and environmental dumping in some countries destroying quality jobs in the EU.”*

The ETUC and industriAll Europe thank the European Parliament, and all who contributed to the agreement, and calls on all MEPs to give the green light to this long-awaited reform.

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[New alternative anti-dumping methodology - European jobs safeguarded against unfair trade practices!](#)

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