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**Subject: Trade Sustainability Impact Assessment (SIA) in support of Free Trade Agreement (FTA) negotiations between the EU and Thailand – Stakeholder Consultation**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The EU and Thailand are negotiating on a Free Trade Agreement (FTA). In line with the practice for EU FTA negotiations, the European Commission has commissioned an independent consortium to carry out a Sustainability Impact Assessment (SIA), in order to analyse potential impacts of the future agreement and provide insights into the negotiating process.

This SIA is being conducted by Milieu Consulting, in cooperation with the consulting arm of the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE Consulting) and Tutwa Europe. It is also supported by the Thailand Development Research Institute (TDRI).

The SIA is meant to analyse potential economic, social, environmental, and human rights-related effects of the agreement, for both the EU and the Kingdom of Thailand. The SIA combines a horizontal analysis and in-depth sectorial analysis for areas of specific relevance. Building on these, the SIA will put forward conclusions and recommendations. An extensive range of activities for stakeholders' engagement is an integral part of the SIA research, including surveys and interviews with key stakeholders.

These will aim at gathering a comprehensive set of views and inputs from a broad group of EU and Thai stakeholders, representing different interests and areas of expertise, as well as at fostering awareness and transparency on the ongoing negotiations.

We therefore invite you to contribute to the SIA by participating in the forthcoming consultation activities. Your contribution will allow for your organisation's experience and viewpoints to be reflected in the study, thereby feeding into the FTA negotiations. It will thereby enhance the robustness of the SIA's consultations exercise.

Should you have any questions, you are welcome to contact the study team at [EUThailandSIA@Milieu.be](mailto:EUThailandSIA@Milieu.be).

We thank you in advance for your interest in the EU-Thailand FTA negotiations and for your inputs to the ongoing SIA.

Yours faithfully,

*- E-signed -*

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