

## TTIP: legalising the global race to the bottom

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I discussed the proposed [Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership](#) with a campaigner yesterday who asked for a summary of my opinion on the subject.

I suggested that this deal gives legal force to the 'race to the bottom' in all forms of regulation. As a result it potentially undermines almost all the gains on transparency and accountability as well as on the enforcement of acceptable trading practices intended to protect vulnerable trading partners over the last decade or so.

And I think I probably understated my case.