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AöW criticizes:

In TTIP, CETA and TISA so far water supply and waste water disposal is not sufficiently protected before privatization!

CETA: AöW's analysis of the documents of the contract found out that precisely the danger of privatization from the back door is not over. In an appendix to the CETA agreement under "**Collection, purification and distribution of water**" (ISIC rev 3.1: 41 Market Access National Treatment) Cross-Border Services and Investment – "**The EU reserves the right to adopt or maintain any measure with respect to the provision of services relating to the collection, purification and distribution of water to household, industrial, commercial or other users, including the provision of drinking water, and water management.** "

This means that the EU retains only every right. This is no exclusion of privatization of water and it must be considered in conjunction with other contents of the contract. There is only the **exclusion of water in its natural form** as a non-trade good and non-component of CETA. On the other hand the EU declares that EU and its Member States do ensure that the agreements at "**all levels of government**" will be effective.

Therefore, we fear that with the agreements on free trade limitations of the local self-government take place and international private water trusts become the possibilities to claim privatization in the water sector.

TTIP: In the unofficially known documents of TTIP we read the same agreements and sentences like in CETA, and not even the exclusion of water in its natural form is included.

TISA: About the negotiations to TISA, there is still lesser official information than of the other two agreements. In the materials to TISA by unions and initiatives it is strongly warned against the danger of privatization of public services, because the exception of public services in the GATS should not be assumed.

We must prevent a new wave of liberalization through the EU free trade agreements. The promises of the EU Commission cannot be trusted.

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