

Fair Deal or No Deal

in Trans-Pacific Free Trade Agreement:

3 Events in Melbourne -
March 1, March 5, March 8

The Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPPA) free trade agreement negotiations between Australia, the US, New Zealand, Chile, Peru, Singapore, Brunei, Malaysia and Vietnam are continuing at the Melbourne Convention Centre on March 1-9, 2012.

The agenda is being driven by US global corporations:

- Pharmaceutical companies want more rights to charge higher prices for medicines, tobacco companies want the right to sue governments for damages if they regulate tobacco advertising;
- Media companies want to reduce Australian content in film and television, and
- Agribusiness companies want to reduce the right of governments to regulate genetically modified food and crops.

Australian government policy should mean that it refuses these demands to reduce our health, environmental and cultural regulation, and supports labour rights and environmental protections.

These events are your chance to expose these issues to public debate, and to demand transparency and accountability for a fair deal in the negotiations.

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Public Forum - Fair Trade or Free Trade?

Thursday 1st March - 6:00-8:00pm

RMIT City Campus, Building 56, Level 4, Room 81, Corner of Queensberry and Lygon Streets. Entrance on Queensberry Street.

Sponsored by the ACTU and AFTINET. Speakers include:

- **Ged Kearney**, Australian Council of Trade Union.
- **Professor Jane Kelsey**, University of Auckland.
- **Dr Kyla Tienhaara**, Australian National University.
- **Dr Deborah Gleeson**, Public Health Association Australia.
- **Lori Wallach**, Public Citizen, US consumer group

Facilitator: **Dr Patricia Ranald**, AFTINET.

Public Forum - TPPA and Access to Medicines

Monday 5th March - 6:00-7:30pm

University of Melbourne, Executive Lounge, 1st Floor, Alan Gilbert Building, 161 Barry Street, (Corner of Grattan and Barry Streets), Melbourne.

Sponsored by the Public Health Association of Australia (Victoria), the Nossal Institute for Global health and the People's Health Movement of Australia. Speakers include:

- **Ms Sanya Reid-Smith**, Third World Network.
- **Mr John Rock**, APN + People Living With HIV in the Asia Pacific Region.
- **Mr Matt Cleary**, Medecins Sans Frontieres.

RSVP for catering by March 2 to Brigitte Tenni btenni@unimelb.edu.au or ph: +61 3 8344 1868

Lunch Time Rally - Fair Deal or No Deal at all

Thursday 8th March - 12:30 to 1:15pm

Street-front courtyard, Melbourne Entertainment and Exhibition Centre, Clarendon Street, Southbank (opposite Crown Casino, west entrance).

Sponsored by Victorian Trades Hall Council in conjunction with AFTINET. Speakers to be advised.