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### Joint Standing Committee on Treaties

Public Hearing

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## The TPP 11 Test

The [Joint Standing Committee on Treaties](#) will hear from a number of expert witnesses on the TPP 11 agreement at a public hearing in Sydney on Friday.

Committee Chair [Stuart Robert MP](#) said that listening to a range of views was important in helping the Committee understand the complexities of the TPP 11.

“The TPP 11 is a comprehensive agreement, covering trade, investment, the digital economy and regulation,” Mr Robert said.

The Committee will hear from grain exporters, industry groups, trade unions, community organisations and academics.

Market access, streamlined regulation, investor state dispute settlement and labour mobility are amongst the issues likely to be discussed.

The TPP 11 was agreed between the remaining signatories of the Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement after the United States withdrew from that agreement.

The TPP 11 is a significant agreement, both in scope and in the number of participating countries.

It improves access for Australian goods and services across the Asia-Pacific region, including important markets like Canada, Japan, Mexico and Vietnam.

In addition, the TPP 11 also deals with emerging issues such as online privacy and e-commerce.

**Public hearing details: 9.00am – 3.00pm, Friday 15 June 2018, Meeting Room 1, Level 21, Commonwealth Parliamentary Offices, 1 Bligh Street, Sydney**

9.00am: GrainGrowers

9.45am: AFTINET

10.30am: Dr Luke Nottage

11.15am: Export Council of Australia

12.00pm: LUNCH

12.45pm: Dr Elizabeth Thurbon

1.30pm: AiGroup

2.15pm: Electircal Trades Union

3.00pm: *Close*

The hearing will be broadcast live at [aph.gov.au/live](http://aph.gov.au/live)



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