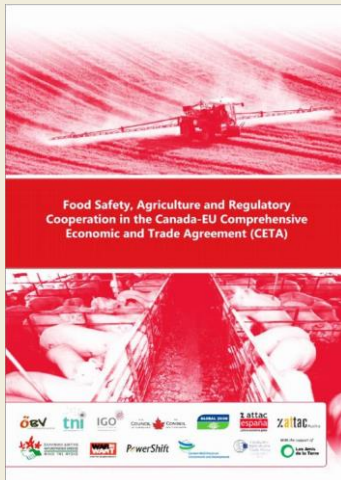


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**Abstract**

The European Union’s proposed Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) with the United States and the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) with Canada have a lot to say about our food and how it will be regulated. Canada’s experience with food regulations under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) shows that the threats trade agreements pose to food quality and safety are very real in free trade agreements. Canada’s current food regulation system encompasses many contentious issues which are considerably different from the EU’s and need to be considered before CETA is ratified.

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