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**INTERNATIONAL EVENTS CALENDAR**

**August- October**

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## BILATERAL VISITS/MAJOR EVENTS

**August 1** -- The Commerce Department begins accepting **certifications** under the **EU-US Privacy Shield Framework**.

**August 1-7** – ASEAN holds an **Economic Ministerial** in **Vientiane, Laos**. It will consist of:

- The 30th ASEAN Free Trade Area Council Meeting
- Consultations with the U.S., Canada, China, Hong Kong, Korea, Japan, India, Australia, New Zealand, and Russia
- The 4th East Asia Summit (EAS) Economic Ministers Meeting
- The 4th Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Ministerial
- A meeting with the ASEAN Business Advisory Committee

**August 2** – Prime Minister **Lee Hsien Loong** of **Singapore** makes a **state visit** to **President Obama** in **Washington**.

**August 5-21** – The **Summer Olympics** are held in **Rio de Janeiro**.

**August 15-28** – APEC holds a **senior officials meeting** in **Lima, Peru**.

**August 22-25** – ASEAN holds a **culture ministerial** in **Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam**.

**August 26** -- The **Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** sponsors a **symposium** in **Jackson Hole, Wyoming**. **Janet Yellen** is scheduled to **speak**.

**August 31-September 1** – **G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors** hold a meeting in **Chengdu, China**.

**September** – An informal **ASEAN ministerial** meeting will be held in **New York City**.

**September 4-5** -- The **G20 Summit** is held in **Hangzhou, China**. An **Environmental Goods Agreement negotiation** will be held on the sidelines.

**September 6-8** -- The **ASEAN Summit** is held in **Vientiane, Laos**. It will include:

- **ASEAN Business and Investment Summit**
- **5th ASEAN Investment Forum**
- **RCEP Summit**

**September 6-30** – Congress returns from **Summer Recess**.

**September 14** – **EU Commission President Juncker** delivers his **State of the Union** address at the **European Parliament**

**September 13** – The **71<sup>st</sup> session** of the **UN General Assembly** opens in **New York City**. **General debate** will open on **September 20**.

**September 16** -- EU leaders will hold a **summit, without Britain**, to discuss **Brexit** in **Bratislava, Slovakia**.

**September 20** – President **Obama** hosts a **summit** on the **refuge crisis** at the **United Nations** in **New York**.

**September 20-21** – The **Federal Open Market Committee** meets.

**September 20-29** – The **UN General Assembly** holds **general debate** for its **seventy-first session**.

**September 26** – The **First Presidential Debate** is held at **Hofstra University** in **Hempstead, New York**.

**September 26-30** – The **IAEA** holds its **General Conference**.

**September 30** – The **Commerce Department** transfers control of the **Domain Name System** to the **Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)**.

**October 4** – The first **Vice Presidential debate** is held at **Longwood University** in **Farmville VA**.

**October 6** – **G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bankers** meet in **Washington DC**.

**October 7-9** -- The **Annual Meetings** of the **International Monetary Fund** and the **World Bank Group** will be held in **Washington, DC**.

**October 9** -- The second **presidential debate** is held at **Washington University** in **St. Louis, Missouri**.

**October 19** -- The third **presidential debate** is held at the **University of Nevada, Las Vegas**.

**October 27- November 10** – The **ILO Governing Body** and its committees hold their **328th session** in **Geneva**.

### **NATIONAL ELECTIONS**

**August** – **Thailand** may hold a **constitutional referendum**.

**August 11** – **Zambia** may hold **national elections** and a **referendum on the Bill Of Rights and Constitution**.

**August 28** -- **Gabon** may hold **presidential elections**.

**September 4** -- **Hong Kong** holds a **legislative council election**.

**September 11** – **Belarus** holds **parliamentary elections**.

**September 11** – Croatia holds parliamentary elections.

**September 18** – The Russian Federation holds parliamentary elections.

**September 20** – Jordan holds parliamentary elections.

**September 25** -- Switzerland holds a referendum on changes to their social security system, new sustainability and green economy initiatives, and changes to intelligence and surveillance laws.

**October 2** – Austria holds Presidential elections.

**October 2** -- Hungary holds a referendum on the EUs quota system for resettling migrants.

**October 7** – Morocco holds parliamentary elections.

**October 8** – Georgia holds parliamentary elections.

**October 9** – Lithuania holds parliamentary elections.

**October 9** – Haiti holds presidential elections.

**October 11** -- The Republic of Zambia holds general elections.

**October 15** – Afghanistan holds parliamentary elections.

**October 16** – Montenegro holds parliamentary elections.

**October 30** – Moldova holds presidential elections.

#### **INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS/EVENTS**

**August 1-4** – APEC Business Advisory Council meets (Shenzhen, China)

**August 10** – ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting (Vientiane, Laos)

**August 15-28** – APEC Senior Officials Meeting (Lima, Peru)

**August 25** -- Council of the Americas, annual conference (Buenos Aires, Argentina)

**August 30 – September 1** -- Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Geneva)

**September 3-4** – G20 Business Summit (Hangzhou, China)

**September 3-11** – WIPO, Assembly of Member States (Geneva)

**September 7-8 -- Development Bank of Latin America, annual conference (Washington DC)**

**September 13-23 -- UNCTAD, Trade and Development Board, Sixty-third session (Geneva)**

**September 19 – UN General Assembly, High-level meeting to address the large movements of refugees and migrants (New York)**

**September 19 – UN Private Sector Forum (New York)**

**September 19-22 -- FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for North America and South West Pacific (Port Vila, Vanuatu)**

**September 19-23 -- IAEA Board of Governors meeting (Vienna, Austria)**

**September 22 -- EU Trade Commissioner Malmström hosts a conference on EU Trade Agreements (Bratislava, Slovakia)**

**September 26-27 – APEC Food Security Ministerial (Piura, Peru)**

**September 26-30 -- FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Asia (New Delhi, India)**

**September 27-29 – WTO Public Forum (Geneva)**

**October – ASEAN –Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership meeting (TBD)**

**October 3 – IAEA Board of Governors Meeting (Vienna, Austria)**

**October 4-6 – APEC Education Ministerial (Lima, Peru)**

**October 6-7 – World Economic Forum India Economic Summit (New Delhi, India)**

**October 12-13 – APEC finance senior officials meeting (Lima, Peru)**

**October 14-15 – APEC finance ministerial (Lima, Peru)**

**October 31 - November 4 –UNCTAD Trade and Development Commission (Geneva)**

### **U.S. GOVERNMENT TRAVEL AND EVENTS**

**All events are located in Washington DC unless stated otherwise.**

**July 28-August 3 -- Assistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs Michele Thoren Bond will travel to Haiti to review consular operations at the U.S. Embassy in Port-au-Prince.**

**August 10** -- The US-China Economic and Security Review Commission holds a two-day public hearing to review and edit drafts of the 2016 Annual Report to Congress

**August 15** -- Due date for public comments to the International Trade Commission on proposed new forms for submitting comments and petitions for the Miscellaneous Tariff Bill.

**August 22** -- Due date for nominations to the Commerce Department for membership on the Trade Finance Advisory Council.

**August 22** -- The US Trade Representative's office holds a public hearing on the annual review of eligibility for benefits under the African Growth and Opportunity Act for 2017.

**August 30** -- Due date for public comments to the Commerce Department on information collection requirements regarding the BE-13, Survey of New Foreign Direct Investment in the United States.

**August 26** -- The Commerce Department releases its advance report on US international trade in goods for July 2016.

**September 2** -- The Commerce Department releases its report on the US trade balance for July.

**September 7** -- Due date for public comments to the Customs and Border Protection on a proposed rule liberalizing provisions of the North American Free Trade Agreement preference rules of origin that relate to certain goods, including certain spices.

**September 14** -- The US-China Economic and Security Review Commission holds a two-day public hearing to review and edit drafts of its 2016 Annual Report to Congress.

**September 15** -- The Commerce Department releases its report on the US current account balance for the second quarter of 2016.

**September 19** -- Bloomberg Philanthropies and the Department of Commerce co-host the second U.S.-Africa Business Forum in New York City.

**September 27** -- The Commerce Department releases its report on the US net international investment position for the second quarter of 2016.

## **TRADE MISSIONS/EXHIBITIONS/CONFERENCES**

### **Automotive**

**September 13-17** -- The Automechanika Frankfurt automotive parts and services show is held in Frankfurt, Germany.

### **Country/Region**

**August 14-19** -- The Corporate Council on Africa sponsors a trade mission to Kenya and Ethiopia.

**August 30-September 3** – The World Bank holds a mission to Côte d’Ivoire and Guinea.

**September 4** -- The Corporate Council on Africa leads a delegation of private sector companies on a trade mission to Angola and Namibia.

**September 6-13** -- The US Commercial Service sponsors a business development conference and trade mission to Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay.

**September 7-15** -- The Foreign Agriculture Service sponsors a trade mission to Hong Kong and China.

**September 12-15** – The first annual Argentina Business & Investment Forum is held in Buenos Aires.

#### **Defense, Aviation, Aerospace Security, Law Enforcement**

**September 7-10** -- Defense Expo Korea 2016 is held in Seoul, South Korea.

**September 14-18** -- The Africa Aerospace and Defense Conference is held in Centurion, South Africa.

**October 12-15** – Japan Aerospace 2016 is held in Tokyo.

#### **Energy, Mining, Natural Resources**

**August 29-September 1** – The Offshore North Sea – 2016 energy conference is held in Stavanger, Norway.

**September 14-16** -- ExpoMina Peru 2016 is held in Lima, Peru.

**September 20-22** – PowerGen Asia is held in Seoul, South Korea.

**September 26-30** – The MINExpo mining conference is held in Las Vegas, Nevada.

**October 19-21** -- The Department of Commerce leads a Subsea & Onshore Technology Trade Mission to Rio de Janeiro.

#### **Finance**

**October 8-11** – The International Banking Industry Exposition is held in Las Vegas.

#### **Franchising**

**September 19-21** – The Commerce Department holds a Certified Trade Mission to Uruguay and Brazil with the International Franchise Association.

#### **Food & Agriculture**

**August 18-19** – An APEC conference on food safety regulatory practices is held in Lima, Peru.

**September 7-15** -- The Foreign Agriculture Service sponsors a trade mission to Hong Kong and China.

**September 8-11** -- The North American Millers' Association holds its annual meeting in Middleburg VA.

#### **Health**

**September 26-30** – The Commerce Department conducts its 3rd Annual Brazil Health IT Trade Mission to Sao Paulo and Recife.

**October 12-14** – BioJapan 2016 is held in Kanagawa, Japan.

**October 16- 21** --The Commerce Department hosts a healthcare business development mission to the People's Republic of China.

**October 29-November 1** – The China International Medical Equipment Fair is held in Shenzhen, People's Republic of China.

#### **Transportation**

**September 26-30** -- The Commerce Department conducts a transportation trade mission to Turkey.