

# *The Future of Canada EU Relations*

*CETA, Strategic Partnership Agreement, Research Collaboration*



**Ms. Marie-Anne Coninsx**  
**Ambassador of the EU to Canada**

Thursday, 27 March

4:00-5:00pm

Bob Wright Centre, Room A104

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The European Union Centre of Excellence and the Centre for Global Studies are honoured to host Ambassador Marie-Anne Coninsx--especially at a time when Canada and the European Union are deepening their ties as long-standing partners. Canada and the EU recently signed the Comprehensive European Trade Agreement (CETA), which is bigger than NAFTA and the largest trade agreement in Canadian history. Ms. Coninsx will discuss CETA, broader EU-Canada relations, the strategic partnership agreement - which has stalled over Canada's reluctance to include language on human rights and non-proliferation, and opportunities for research cooperation.

Ms. Coninsx began her posting as the EU's top diplomat in Canada in September 2013, after serving four years as Ambassador of the EU to Mexico. She has been an official in the EU since 1984; she started in Legal Services, and she later served as Minister-Counsellor at the EU Delegation in New York and thereafter in Geneva.

