



Global Trade Alert Europe

EU initiates anti-subsidy probe on Biodiesel originating in Argentina

On 31 January 2018, the European Commission initiated an anti-subsidy investigation on biodiesel originating in Argentina ([Notice](#)).

The product subject to this investigation is fatty-acid mono-alkyl esters and/or paraffinic gasoils obtained from synthesis and/or hydro-treatment, of non-fossil origin, commonly known as biodiesel.

The EU's new investigation is an alternative method of imposing additional tariffs on imported biodiesel from Argentina and Indonesia, following these countries' successful challenge at the WTO and subsequent termination of EU anti-dumping duties in force since 2013.

What does it mean for you?

The investigation may lead to the imposition of provisional anti-subsidy duties as of October 2018, while definitive anti-subsidy duties are expected as of February 2019, for a duration of five years.

What to do?

The activities of companies importing, exporting, trading or using the product will be affected by the upcoming measures. Deloitte recommends that companies register and cooperate with the investigating authority. Registration will preserve a

company's right to make its views known during the investigation and, in some cases, request individual treatment. Registration must be completed within 15 days of the Notice's date of publication, i.e. until **15 February 2018**.

Deloitte's Global Trade Advisory specialists have hands-on experience in trade defence investigations and are part of a global network of professionals who can provide specialised assistance to companies seeking to defend their interests in such cases.

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