### ACTA and access to medicines

# A study by Sean Flynn and Bijan Madhani, commissioned by the Greens/EFA Group

The Greens/EFA Group in the European Parliament commissioned this analysis of potential impacts of the Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA) on access to medicines in developing countries."

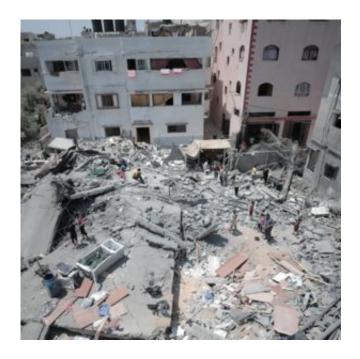
On the whole, ACTA negotiators created an agreement that shifts international "hard law" rules and "soft law" encouragements toward making enforcement of intellectual property rights in courts, at borders, by the government and by private parties easier, less costly, and more "deterrent" in the level of penalties.

In doing so, it increases the risks and consequences of wrongful searches, seizures, lawsuits and other enforcement actions for those relying on intellectual property limitations and exceptions to access markets, including the suppliers of legitimate generic medicines. This, in turn, is likely to make affordable medicines more scarce and dear in many countries. (...)

#### Recommended

Press release

Photo by Mohammed Ibrahim on Unsplash



Greens/EFA call for suspension of EU-Israel Associatio...

21.05.2025

## News

## © jonathan-marchal/unsplash



## Debriefing of the April 2025 Plenary Session

04.04.2025

#### Press release

## ©francois-le-nguyen



Greens/EFA will defend the fight against child labour,...

03.04.2025

 $https://unsplash.com/photos/a-flag-on-a-building-\_VE9mUHVd2s$ 



Commission's blank check to autocratic Egypt undermine...

01.04.2025

Responsible MEPs



Jan Philipp Albrecht

Member

# **Contact person**



Jan Philipp Albrecht

Member

#### **Attached documents**

ACTA and access to medicines

Please share

<u> E-Mail</u>