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## Biography

Eric Gottwald is the Policy Specialist on Trade & Economic Globalization at the AFL-CIO. He is an expert on the effective integration of international labor rights into trade agreements and global supply chains. He currently represents the AFL-CIO on the International Labor Organization's Committee on the Application of Standards (CAS).

Prior to joining the AFL-CIO, Eric was the Deputy Director of the International Labor Rights Forum (ILRF), where he coordinated programs to end labor abuses in global supply chains, including cotton, apparel, palm oil, and bananas. He graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 2005 and is fluent in Spanish.