



Provisional programme
UNCTAD pre-conference event for the Fourth United Nations Conference
on the Least Developed Countries (LDC-IV)
Room XXVI, Palais des Nations, Geneva, 27-29 October 2010

*Building productive capacities in LDCs for inclusive
and sustainable development*

Day 1: Wednesday, 27 October 2010

3 p.m. - 6 p.m. High-level segment

Chair: H.E. Mr. Luis Manuel Piantini Munnigh, President of the Trade and Development Board

Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD

Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States

H.E. Mr. Felix Mutati, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Zambia

H.E. Mr. Minendra Prasad Rijal, Minister of Federal Affairs, Parliamentary Affairs, Constituent Assembly and Culture, Nepal

H.E. Mr. H. Bozkurt Aran, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Turkey

Ms. Andra Koke, Trade and Development Division, Directorate-General for Trade, European Union, Brussels

Followed by group statements

Day 2: Thursday, 28 October 2010

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Session I: Addressing key issues in building productive capacities in LDCs

10 a.m. Chair: H.E. Mr. Gyan Chandra Acharya, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Nepal and Coordinator of LDCs, New York

Mr. Charles Gore, Special Coordinator for Research and Policy Analysis, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

Mr. Carlos Nuno Castel-Branco, Director, Institute of Economic and Social Studies, Mozambique

Mr. Mark Draeck, Industrial Development officer, Rural and Renewable Energy Unit, Energy and Climate Change Branch, UNIDO

Mr. Henri Dommel, Director, Inclusive Finance Division, United Nations Capital Development Fund

Mr. Tanoh Gyekye, Third World Network, Ghana

11 a.m. *Interactive discussions*

3 p.m. - 6 p.m. Session II: The role of trade in the development of productive capacities

3 p.m. Chair: H.E. Mr. Anthony Maruping, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Lesotho

H.E. Mr. Felix Mutati, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Zambia

Ms. Mina Mashayekhi, Officer-in-Charge, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, UNCTAD

H.E. Mr. Dinesh Bhattarai, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Nepal in Geneva and Coordinator of LDCs in UNCTAD

4 p.m. *Interactive discussions*

Day 3: Friday, 29 October 2010

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. **Session III: Building productive capacities in LDCs through FDI and domestic enterprise development**

10 a.m. Chair: H.E. Mr. Léo Mérorès, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Haiti, New York

Mr. James Zhan, Director, Division on Investment and Enterprise, UNCTAD

Mr. Noorullah Delawari, Minister Advisor to President Karzai and CEO of Afghanistan Investment Support Agency

Mr. Lourenço Sambo, Director-General, Investment Promotion Centre, Mozambique

Mr. Esther Mkwizu, Chair of Tanzania Private Sector Foundation

Mr. Theo Mxakwe, Assistant Vice-President, Nestlé

Ms. Caroline Nijland, Project Manager, Foundation Rural Energy Services

11 a.m. *Interactive discussions*

3 p.m. – 5.30 p.m. **Session IV: The contributions of science, technology and innovation and trade logistics**

3 p.m. Chair: H.E. Mr. Luis Manuel Piantini Munnigh, President of the Trade and Development Board

Ms. Anne Miroux, Director, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD

Mr. Peter Ndemere, Executive Secretary, Uganda National Council for Science and Technology

Mr. Ahmed Abdel Latif, Programme Manager for Intellectual Property and Technology, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development

Mr. Rash Bihari Rauniar, Federation of Nepalese Chambers of Commerce and Industry

4 p.m. *Interactive discussions*

5.30 p.m. - 6 p.m. **Wrap-up session**

Chair: H.E. Mr. Luis Manuel Piantini Munnigh, President of the Trade and Development Board

Summary of discussions by Mr. Charles Gore, Special Coordinator for Research and Policy Analysis, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD