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15.00 - 18.00



## UNCTAD pre-LDC IV event

# Building productive capacities in LDCs for inclusive and sustainable development

## Session II: The Role of Trade in the Development of Productive Capacities

- Chair:** H.E. Mr. Anthony Maruping,  
Ambassador and Permanent  
Representative of Lesotho
- Keynote address:** H.E. Mr. Felix Mutati,  
Minister of Commerce,  
Trade and Industry, Zambia
- Opening:** Ms. Mina Mashayekhi,  
Officer-in-Charge, Division on  
International Trade in Goods  
and Services, and Commodities,  
UNCTAD
- Special presentation:** H.E. Mr. Dinesh Bhattarai,  
Ambassador and Permanent  
Representative of Nepal and  
Coordinator of LDCs in UNCTAD
- Interactive discussions:** WTO: Mr. Taufiq Rahman  
ITC: Mr. Willem van der Geest  
DESA: Mr. Roland Mollerus  
UNDP: Ms. Luciana Mermet  
Commonwealth Secretariat:  
Mr. Mohammad Razzaque  
CUTS: Mr. Atul Kaushik
- Followed by:** Interactive debate with delegations

### Issues for discussion in search of deliverables:

- What trade policy priorities and measures should be incorporated in any specific trade policy regimes to be adopted by LDCs as a key aspect of their development strategies?
- What non-traditional product sectors, including new and dynamic sectors, can LDCs hope to diversify into and add value?
- What concrete measures at national, regional and international level can be taken to ensure that the trade sector becomes resilient to external shocks?
- How can LDCs' effective participation in international trade in services and in services sector development be improved?
- How can LDCs be more effectively and beneficially integrated into global supply chains to strengthen productive capacities for trade?
- What further improvements in market access conditions for exports of LDCs can be undertaken at international and regional levels?
- What strategies are needed by LDCs to maximize the contribution of commodities to their development, industrialization and structural transformation?
- What supportive measures can be provided by international development partners to build up the trade and productive capacities of LDCs?
- What measures can be taken through South-South cooperation to strengthen productive capacities of LDCs and transform primary commodities into value added exports?
- What policy measures can be taken to foster export value addition and diversification in commodities trade for LDCs?

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