

**69th session of the WP on the Strategic Framework and
the Programme Budget
1-5 December 2014**

**Agenda item 3: Review of the programme narrative
component of the draft proposed programme budget for
the biennium 2016-2017**

Subprogramme 3: International Trade Component 2: Commodities

**Special Unit on Commodities
(SUC)**



Objective

To harness development gains and to deal with the trade and development problems of the commodity economy and of commodity dependence

Agreed during the 66th WP session

Expected Achievement

Improved capacity of commodity-dependent developing countries to address trade and development problems associated with the commodity economy and to seize opportunities emerging from commodity trade and **enhanced international and regional cooperation**

Indicators of Achievement

Increased amount of research on commodity production in countries with economies that are dependent on commodities, with the aim of diversifying their production, including by increasing the added value of their commodities

Performance measures

- 2012–2013: 12 research outputs
- Estimate 2014–2015: 14 research outputs
- Target 2016–2017: 16 research outputs

Indicators of Achievement

Increased number of commodity-dependent developing countries adopting policy measures and tools recommended by UNCTAD in designing policies aimed at the diversification of export earnings

Performance measures

- **2012–2013: 12 commodity-dependent developing countries**
- **Estimate 2014–2015: 14 commodity-dependent developing countries**
- **Target 2016–2017: 16 commodity-dependent developing countries**

Outputs

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies

(b) Other substantive activities

(c) Technical cooperation

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies

- (i) General Assembly;
- (ii) UNCTAD;
- (iii) Economic and Social Council;
- (iv) Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Program Budget;
- (v) Trade and Development Board;
- (vi) Trade and Development Commission;
- (vii) Ad hoc expert group.

(b) Other substantive activities

- (i) Recurrent publications: *Commodities and Development Report (1)*;
- (ii) Non-recurrent publications: analytical studies on commodity development and trade (4);
- (iii) Exhibits, guided tours, lectures: lectures on issues related to commodities (4);
- (iv) Booklets, fact sheets, wallcharts, information kits (4);
- (v) Press releases, press conferences (5);
- (vi) Technical material: INFOCOMM, NRIE, SCP;
- (vii) Information materials: *The Iron Ore Market (2)*; *Iron Ore Statistics (2)*; *Commodities at a Glance (4)*; *The State of Commodity Dependence (1)*.

(c) Technical cooperation

- (i) Advisory services: to assist, upon request, commodity-dependent developing countries, particularly small commodity producers (6);
- (ii) Capacity-building training courses, seminars, workshops: (6);
- (iii) Field projects: national, regional or international projects to assist commodity-dependent countries to establish institutional frameworks for diversification, value addition and more effective participation in global commodity supply chains (2);

Questions?

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