Report of the Trade and Development Board on its fifty-second executive session

Held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, 11–12 and 14 April 2011

Introduction

The fifty-second executive session of the Trade and Development Board was held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, 11–12 and 14 April 2011. In the course of the session, the Board held two plenary meetings.

I. Theme and sub-themes for UNCTAD–XIII

A. Theme

Development-centred globalization: Towards inclusive and sustainable growth and development

B. Sub-themes

1. Enhancing the enabling economic environment at all levels in support of inclusive and sustainable development

2. Strengthening all forms of cooperation and partnerships for trade and development, including North–South, South–South and triangular cooperation

3. Addressing persistent and emerging development challenges as related to their implications for trade and development and interrelated issues in the areas of finance, technology, investment and sustainable development

4. Promoting investment, trade, entrepreneurship and related development policies to foster sustained economic growth for sustainable and inclusive development

Approved at the closing plenary meeting
14 April 2011
II. Organizational matters

A. Opening of the session

1. The fifty-second executive session of the Trade and Development Board was opened by Mr. Luis Manuel Piantini Munnigh (Dominican Republic), President of the Board, on Monday, 11 April 2011.

B. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

(agenda item 1)

2. At its opening plenary meeting, the Trade and Development Board adopted the provisional agenda for the session, as contained in document TD/B/EX(52)/1. The agenda was thus as follows:
    1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
    2. Theme, sub-themes and preparatory process for UNCTAD–XIII
    3. Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters
    4. Other matters
    5. Report of the Board on its fifty-second executive session

C. Outcome of the session

3. At its closing plenary meeting, on Thursday, 14 April 2011, the Trade and Development Board approved the theme and sub-themes for UNCTAD–XIII, to be held in April 2012 in Doha, Qatar (see chapter I).

D. Report of the Board on its fifty-second executive session

(agenda item 5)

4. The Trade and Development Board authorized the President to finalize the report after the conclusion of the meeting.
Annex

Attendance *

1. Representatives of the following States members attended the session:

- Albania
- Algeria
- Angola
- Argentina
- Azerbaijan
- Belarus
- Belgium
- Benin
- Brazil
- Brunei Darussalam
- Bulgaria
-Burundi
- Cambodia
- Canada
- China
- Colombia
- Congo
- Côte d’Ivoire
- Cuba
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Democratic People’s Republic of Korea
- Denmark
- Djibouti
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- Egypt
- Ethiopia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Ghana
- Haiti
- Honduras
- Hungary
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran (Islamic Republic of)
- Israel
- Italy
- Jamaica
- Japan
- Jordan
- Kuwait
- Lao People’s Democratic Republic
- Lesotho
- Madagascar
- Malaysia
- Mali
- Mauritius
- Mexico
- Morocco
- Myanmar
- Nepal
- Nigeria
- Oman
- Pakistan
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Philippines
- Poland
- Portugal
- Republic of Korea
- Romania
- Russian Federation
- Saudi Arabia
- Serbia
- Slovakia
- South Africa
- Spain
- Sudan
- Swaziland
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Thailand
- Togo
- Ukraine
- United States of America
- Uruguay
- Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
- Viet Nam
- Yemen
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

* For the list of participants, see TD/B/EX(52)/Inf.1.
2. Representatives of the following State member of UNCTAD but not a member of the Trade and Development Board attended the session:
   Holy See

3. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented at the session:
   European Union
   Organisation internationale de la francophonie

4. The following United Nations Organization was represented at the session:
   International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO

5. The following specialized agency and related organization was represented at the session:
   World Trade Organization (WTO)