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# FIRST INTERNATIONAL FORUM FOR NATIONAL TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEES

*Boosting capacities and partnerships for implementation*

23 January 2017

# PREMIER FORUM INTERNATIONAL SUR LES COMITÉS NATIONAUX DE FACILITATION DES ÉCHANGES

*Renforcement des capacités et des partenariats pour la mise en œuvre*

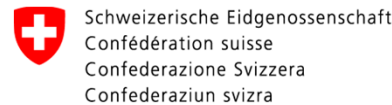
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Presentation of programme, team of experts, logistics and objectives of the week

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# I AM HERE TO ANSWER THE KEY QUESTIONS WE ALL HAVE

Where do we come from?

- The audience

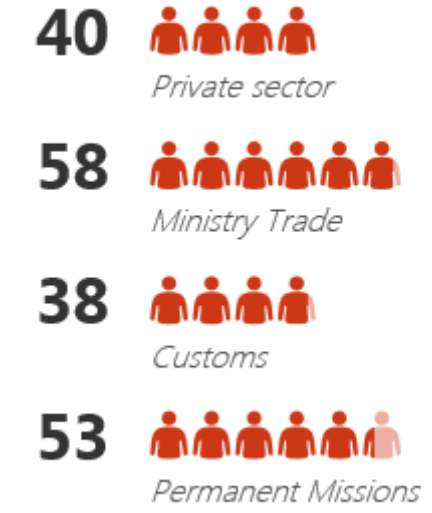
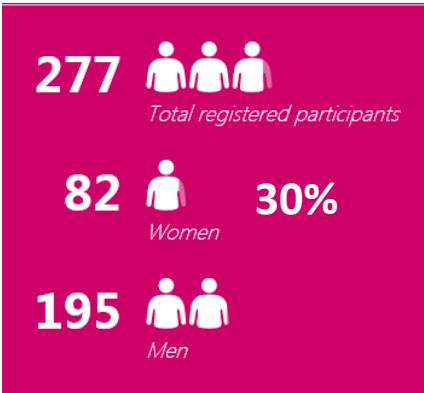
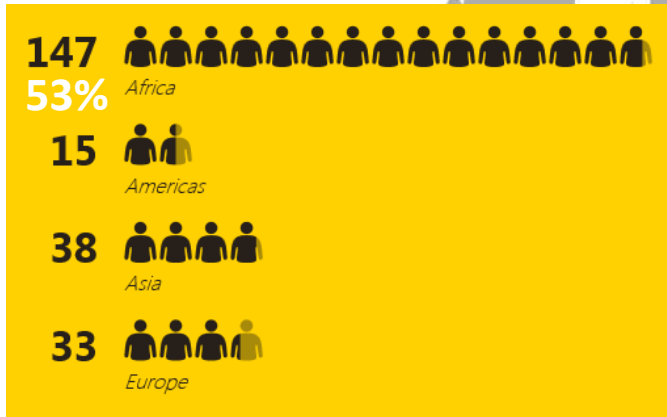
Why are we here?

- The programme

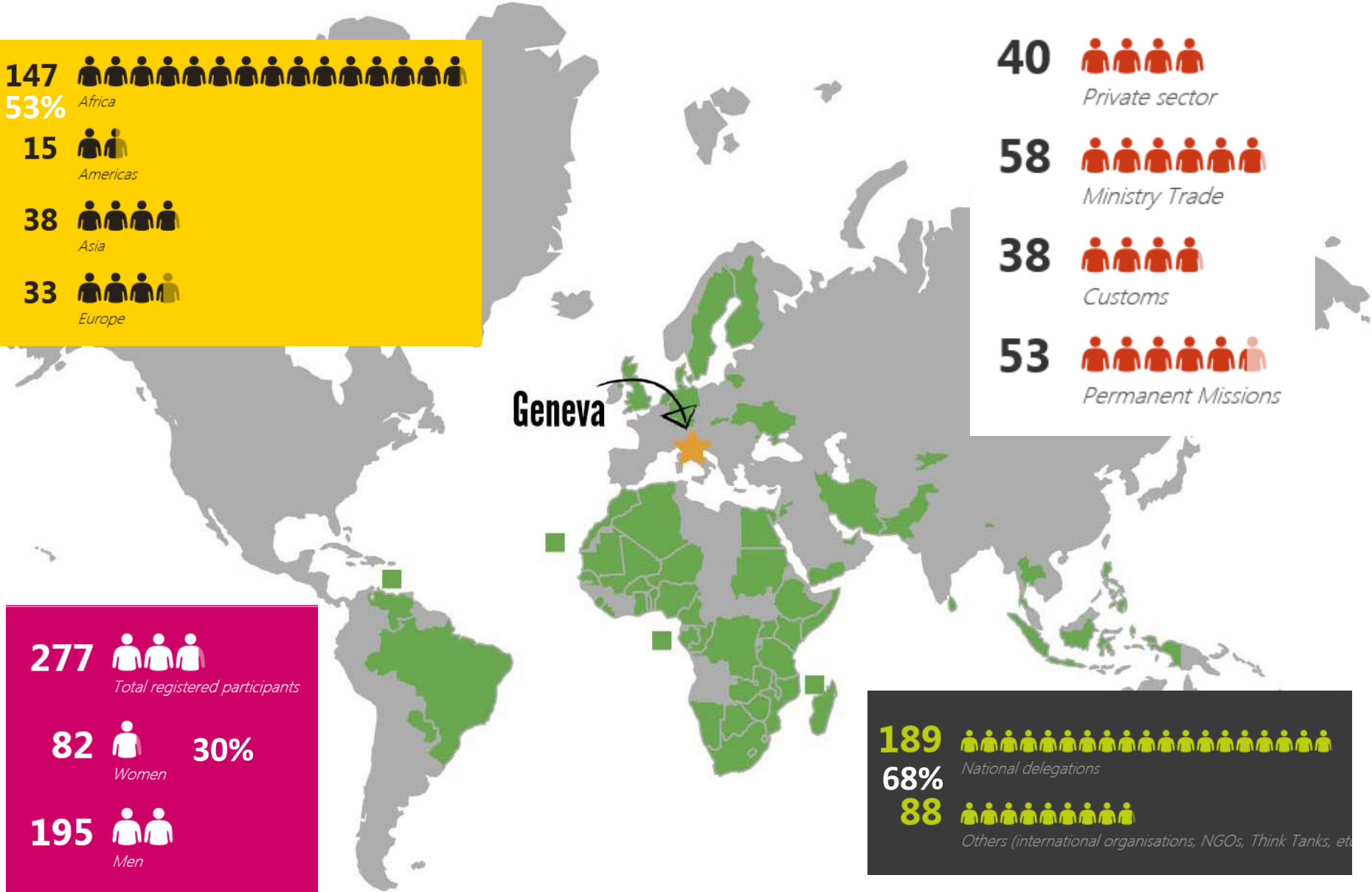
Where are we going?

- .... To eat, to network...

# WHERE DO WE COME FROM?

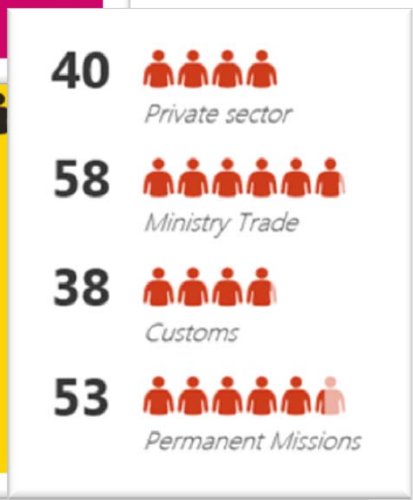
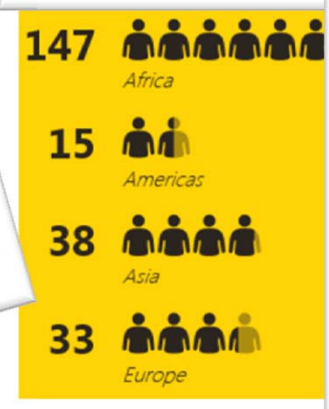
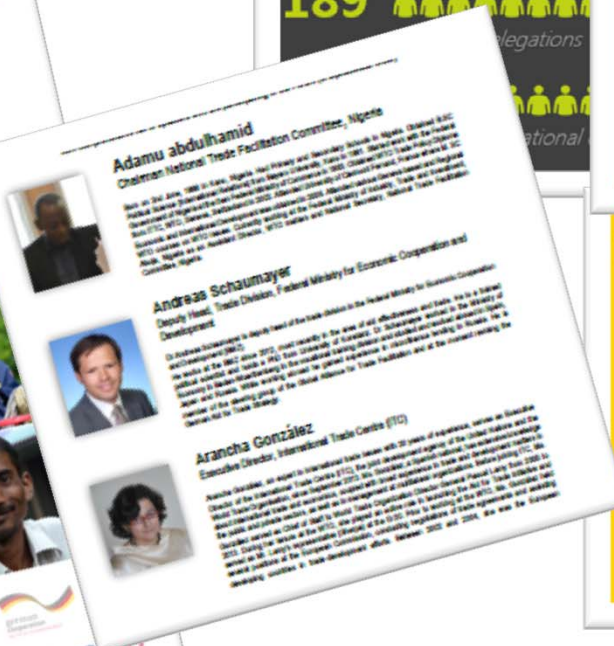


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# WHY ARE WE HERE?

1. You are the leaders of your national NTFCs
2. NTFCs hold the key to successful national trade facilitation reforms
3. Imminent entry into force of the **WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement**



# OBJECTIVES OF THIS FORUM

- Learn about the **next step after the entry into force of the WTO TFA** (Monday)
- Get to know existing **technical assistance programmes** and how to access support from international and regional organisations (Monday - Tuesday and during the Trade Fair on Wednesday and Thursday - from 14:00 to 15:00)
- Learn from experts and peers **specific skills** to support your NTFC (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)
  - How to establish an NTFC,
  - How to involve private sector,
  - How to draft project proposals,
  - How to lead a successful meeting,
  - How to guide your NTFC to draft a Trade Facilitation Roadmap
  - How to evaluate and monitor trade facilitation reforms
  - Etc
- Questions might be asked at the end of each panel

# WHERE ARE WE GOING TO...?

## EAT

- Usual UN Geneva schedule for events
- Plenary session from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00
- Lunch break is from 13:00 to 15:00 (except for Wednesday and Thursday when we will have the Trade Fair from 14:00 to 15:00)
- Friday, the event will end at 13:00
- There are no official coffee breaks and lunch is not provided by the event
- There are two cafeterias for lunch:
  - Pasta corner - 1st Floor
  - Main cafeteria - 0 Floor

# WHERE ARE WE GOING TO...?

## GET FUNDED

- Around 120 participants have been funded by one of the organisations
- Each organiser (ITC, UNCTAD, WBG, WCO, WTO) has funded participants according to their own administrative rules
- For all related issues to this financing and collection of vouchers, providing boarding passes... please visit the organiser funding you in particular, with your passport, **TODAY at 13:00 at the Registration Desk**
- Funded participants are obliged to sign in every day in the morning at 10:00 and in the afternoon 15:00

# WHERE ARE WE GOING TO...?

## GET THE PRESENTATIONS

- **Presentations** will be uploaded to the event page after each session.
  - UNCTAD.org →
  - Upcoming meetings →
  - International Forum on NTFCs
- **USBs** (with presentations) as well as **certificates** of attendance will be distributed on Friday





# WHERE ARE WE GOING TO...?

## GET THE PICTURES

- Please use our **Photocall** and send us your pics to [tfbodies@unctad.org](mailto:tfbodies@unctad.org) or upload to social media using #NTFCForum
- A link to pictures taken by the photographers will be provided automatically to participants who fill in a 5 min short online **evaluation form** that we will hand over on Friday



IF YOU HAVE  
ANY FURTHER  
QUESTIONS  
ON ANY  
THING  
RELATED TO  
THE EVENT...

Just look for me  
among all the  
friendly faces...

