

# TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD

PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS 24–28 June 2019 Palais des Nations, Geneva

#### Monday, 24 June

10 a.m.	Plenary	Room XVII
	Opening of the session	
	Item 1 – Procedural matters	
	(a) Election of officers	
	(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of the work of the session (TD/B/66/1)	
	<ul> <li>Opening address by Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD, including on his annual report (item 4)</li> </ul>	
	There will be no intervention from member States at this stage. The general debate will take place on Wednesday, 26 June.	

11 a.m.	High-level segment: Inequality – a drag on reducing poverty and attaining the Sustainable Development Goals	Room XVII
	Item 2 (a) – Means to achieve Sustainable Development Goal 10 (TD/B/66/3)	
	Panel	
	<ul> <li>Ms. Jayati Ghosh, J Nehru University, New Delhi</li> <li>Mr. Valpy FitzGerald, Oxford University</li> <li>Ms. Isabelle Durant, Deputy Secretary-General, UNCTAD</li> </ul>	
	Followed by interactive dialogue	

3 p.m.	Plenary	Assembly Hall
	Item 2 (b) – Trade policies and their impact on inequalities	
	(TD/B/66/4)	
	Panel	
	<ul> <li>Mr. Lucas Chancel, Co-Director, World Inequality Lab</li> <li>Mr. Avinash Persaud, Special Envoy of the Prime Minister of Barbados for Finance and Investment</li> <li>Ms. Pamela Coke-Hamilton, Director, Division on International Trade and Commodities, UNCTAD</li> </ul>	
	Followed by interactive dialogue	
	Item 7 – Fifteenth session of the Conference	
	<ul> <li>Venue for UNCTAD XV</li> </ul>	
5 p.m.	<ul> <li>Presentation by host country: Formal address by Mr. Kerrie D Symmonds, Minister of Tourism and International Transport, Barbados</li> <li>Address by Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD</li> </ul>	
6 p.m.	Cultural event – Road to Barbados 2020	Hall XIV (behind Assembly Hall)

# Tuesday, 25 June

10 a.m.	Plenary	Room XVII
	Item 2 (c) – Digital development: Opportunities and challenges (TD/B/66/5)	
	Panel	
	<ul> <li>Mr. Madhu Kumar Marasini, Joint Secretary, Multilateral Trade and Trade Aid Division, Ministry of Commerce and Supplies, Nepal</li> <li>Ms. Anna Ekeledo, Executive Director, AfriLabs</li> <li>Mr. Jean-Eric Aubert, President French Future Studies Society and member of the United Nations Expert Network for STI Policy and Practice (UN STIxNet)</li> <li>Ms. Isabelle Durant, Deputy Secretary-General, UNCTAD</li> </ul>	
	Followed by interactive dialogue	
12(noon)	<ul> <li>Item 7 – Fifteenth session of the Conference (cont'd)</li> <li>Presentation by the United Arab Emirates on their offer to host UNCTAD XV</li> </ul>	Room XVII

1 p.m.	Lunchtime event	Room XVII
	<ul> <li>Launch of two reports</li> <li>Address by Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD</li> <li>New annual "SDG Pulse", a statistical report dedicated to the Goals and UNCTAD capacity development</li> <li>Joint Eurasian Economic Commission and UNCTAD report on inclusive growth, including new composite index</li> </ul>	
3 p.m.	Plenary	Room XVII
	Item 2 (d) – South–South cooperation for trade, investment and structural transformation (TD/B/66/6)  Panel  Moderator: Ms. Isabelle Durant, Deputy Secretary-General, UNCTAD  • Ms. Tatiana Valovaya, Member of the Board, Eurasian Economic Commission  • Mr. Carlos Correa, Executive Director, South Centre  • Mr. Omar Zniber, Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission, Morocco	
	Followed by interactive dialogue	

## Wednesday, 26 June

10 a.m.	Plenary	Room XVII
	Item 3 – General debate	
	Statements by regional groups, member States, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations	

1	2 p.m.	Extended Bureau meeting	<b>Room E.8116</b>

3 p.m.	Plenary	Room XVII
	Item 4 – Annual report of the Secretary-General	
	Question and answer session	

Item 8 – UNCTAD contributions to the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields	Room XVII
<ul> <li>Launch of the UNCTAD statistics quality assurance framework</li> <li>Presentation by Mr. Steve MacFeely, Head of Statistics and Information Branch, Division on Globalization and Development: Data is an asset – understanding the data revolution</li> <li>Question and answer session</li> </ul>	

## Thursday, 27 June

10 a.m.	Plenary	Room XVII
	Item 5 – Report of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on E-commerce and the Digital Economy (TD/B/EDE/3/3)	
	Presentation of the report	
	Followed by discussion	
	Item 6 – Contribution of UNCTAD to the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011–2020 (TD/B/66/2)	
	• Presentation	
	Followed by discussion	
	Item 9 (a) – Report by the Chair of the Advisory Body set up in accordance with paragraph 166 of the Bangkok Plan of Action on the implementation of courses by the secretariat in 2018–2019 and their relevant impact	
	Presentation by the Chair of the Advisory Body, Mr. Salim Baddoura	

3 p.m.	Closing plenary	Room XVII
	Item 1 (c) – Adoption of the report on credentials	
	Item 1 (d) – Provisional agenda for the sixty-seventh session of the Trade and Development Board	
	Item 9 (a) – Report by the Chair of the Advisory Body set up in accordance with paragraph 166 of the Bangkok Plan of Action on the implementation of courses by the secretariat in 2018–2019 and their relevant impact; and the appointment of members of the Advisory Body;	
	Appointment of members	
	Item 9 (b) – Designation of intergovernmental bodies for the purposes of rule 76 of the rules of procedure of the Board	
	Item 9 (c) – Designation of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board (TD/B/66/R.1 and R.2)	
	Item 9 (d) – Review of the calendar of meetings	
	Item 9 (e) – Membership of the Working Party	
	Item 9 (f) – Review of the lists of States contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) (TD/B/INF.243)	
	$\label{eq:continuous} Item \ 9 \ (g) - Administrative \ and \ financial \ implications \ of \ the \ Board$	
	Item 10 – Provisional agenda of the sixty-ninth executive session of the Trade and Development Board	
	Item 11 – Other business	
	Under this item, the TDB will consider the following agendas:	
	<ul> <li>Eleventh session of the Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission</li> <li>Eleventh session of the Trade and Development Commission</li> <li>Revised agenda of the sixty-eighth executive session of the Board, scheduled to start on 30 September</li> </ul>	
	Item 12 – Adoption of the report	