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2nd International Convention on Sustainable Trade and Standards

Sustainable Value Chains and Standards

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Provisional Agenda

1. Opening of the Convention

- (a) Leaders messages to the Convention
- (b) Key-Note Address: Trade, Standards and Sustainable Development

2. The role of industry actors in sustainable development and the global trading system

- (a) Leveraging standards in international trade to drive sustainable development
- (b) Seizing the environmental, social and economic benefits of standards for sustainable production
- (c) Fostering sustainable production for export potential

3. Addressing the Challenges of Standards in Global Value Chains (GVCs)

(a) Facilitating the uptake of sustainability standards to elevate smallholders, MSMEs and producers' capacity to enter the GVCs

(b) Coherence and implementation of government policies, including sustainable public procurement

(c) Drawing the UNFSS-Andean Community Study on "Sustainable Exports to the European Union" as reference point for the LATAM region

4. Launch of the Study: "The Brazilian Voluntary Sustainability Standards Story"

- (a) The Brazilian experiences on voluntary sustainability standards
- (b) Expanding the Brazilian sustainable export potential
- (c) Takeaways from the study that could potentially be adopted by other LATAM markets

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5. National Multi-stakeholder Platform for Sustainable Value Chains

- (a) Contextualising the existing multilateral frameworks of sustainable trade
- (b) Exchanging good sustainability standards practices among National VSS Platforms
- (c) Moving forward: Implementing the Declaration of Cooperation in Sustainability Standards Ecosystem

between National Platforms (derived from the 1st ICSTS Declaration)

6. Standardization Bodies, VSS and Sustainable Development Goals

(a) Understanding the role of Standardization bodies and VSS

(b) Addressing transparency, multiplicity of standards and policy options such as mutual recognition of standards

(c) Developing an international framework for Sustainability Standards

7. Review and adoption of report of the Convention

8. Closing of the Convention

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