

An inclusive platform to address commodities challenges

SPECIAL UNIT ON COMMODITIES

Contact us now! Arrangements for the Global Commodities Forum begin in September for the following year. gcf@unctad.org unctad.org/gcf

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Promoted the importance of smallholder farmers in achieving food security goals
- Highlighted the need for a broad recommitment to agricultural and rural development
- Engaged commodity trading companies in rethinking their business practices in developing countries, from efficient transactions to equitable relationships
- Attracted private sector companies to participate in discussions about addressing development challenges

WORKING GROUP ON COMMODITIES GOVERNANCE

- UNCTAD formed this multi-stakeholder Working Group at the recommendation of participants at the 2014 Forum
- Participants tasked the Working Group with elaborating recommendations for improving transparency and accountability in the commodities value chain
- The Working Group currently has 30 members, representing: companies, Governments, international organizations, non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders
- In its work to date on the crude oil value chain, the Working Group has developed tools to evaluate existing initiatives and identify governance gaps

YOUR SPONSORSHIP GOALS

- Gain credibility for your responsible role in the commodities value chain
- Reach a multi-stakeholder audience
- Associate with the principles, ideas and solutions embodied in UNCTAD's rich history of work on commodities

WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT THE GLOBAL COMMODITIES FORUM?

- The Forum is a free, public event
- We propose critical, development-oriented topics related to commodities
- We attract a multi-stakeholder audience from throughout the value chain
- We give voice to developing countries at the Forum by featuring their issues and experts

ABOUT THE GLOBAL COMMODITIES FORUM

- UNCTAD launched the Global Commodities Forum in 2010
- We have now organized six Fora at the Palais des Nations in Geneva
- The organization of future Fora in developing countries, on a regional basis, is now being considered
- The Global Commodities Forum Steering Committee, a panel of distinguished commodities experts, helps guide the organization of the Forum

HOW CAN YOUR ORGANIZATION BENEFIT FROM SPONSORING THE FORUM?

- Build trust and enhance credibility with experts from throughout the value chain
- Affiliate with the brand, network and mission of the United Nations
- Help frame international policy discussions on commodities issues
- Expand your network of contacts and generate new partnerships
- Share in the media exposure of this global event



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- The Common Fund for Commodities (CFC)
- The Governments of China, France and Switzerland
- African Export-Import Bank
- Gaznat of Switzerland

SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS

- Title sponsors of the Global Commodities Forum receive a full set of benefits
- Networking sponsors feature in a custom networking session during the programme
- The cocktail sponsor hosts a reception at the Forum, during which the sponsor can feature its work

PRACTICAL BENEFITS

- A custom networking event during the programme
- Placement of your organization's exhibition booth outside the assembly hall
- Mentions of your organization in the opening and closing speeches by the UNCTAD Secretary-General or his Deputy
- Mentions of your organization in Forum press releases
- UNCTAD support in registering your invitees
- The above benefits are available to title sponsors. Sponsors of individual activities within the Forum receive proportional benefits



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