

Fifty-sixth session of the Trade and Development Board Geneva, 14-25 September

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Monday, 14 September 2009

10 a.m. Plenary (1030th meeting)

Room XVII

Item 1 Election of officers

Item 2 Adoption of the agenda and organization of the work of the session (TD/B/56/1)

Establishment of Sessional Committee I and Sessional Committee II

General statements

- Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD
- Statements by regional groups and members States

3 p.m. Plenary (1031st meeting)

Room XVII

Item 3 Interdependence

High-level segment: The global economic crisis and the necessary policy response (UNCTAD/TDR/2009 & Overview)

Opening remarks

Mr. Supachai Panitckpadki, Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Keynote speakers

- Dr. Pedro Paez, Chairman of the Presidential Technical Commission for the New Regional Financial Architecture and Bank of the South and Former Minister of Economic Policy Coordination.
- Mr. M. Cyrille Pierre, Deputy-Director Global Economic Issues Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, France
- Other participants to be confirmed

Followed by Interactive debate

PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS Tuesday, 15 September 2009

10 a.m. Plenary (1032nd meeting)

Room XVII

- Item 7 Development strategies in a globalized world:

 Meeting the development challenge of climate change (UNCTAD/TDR/2009 & Overview)
 - Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD.
 - Introduction by the Secretariat. Mr. D. Kotte, Head, Macroeconomic and development policy branch.

Panellists

- Mr. Frank Ackerman, Senior Economist, Stockholm Environment Institute-US Center and Senior Research Fellow, Global Development and Environment Institute, Tufts University, United States
- Professor Francis Yamba, Director, Centre for Energy, Environment and Engineering Zambia Ltd., Lusaka, Zambia
- Mr. Augusto Luiz Nobre de Mello Neto, Director, Climate change, Sustainability and Energy, ICF International, Brazil

Followed by

Interactive debate

4 p.m. Raúl Prebish Lecture

Room XVII

6 p.m.

- Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD
- Mr. Jeffrey Sachs, Director, Earth Institute, Quetelet Professor of Sustainable Development, and Professor of Health Policy and Management at Columbia University. Special Advisor to United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon

PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS Wednesday, 16 September 2009

10 a.m. Plenary (1033rd meeting)

Room XVII

- Item 6 Evolution of the International trading system and of international trade from a development perspective: Impact of the crisis (TD/B/56/7)
 - Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Keynote speakers

- Mr. Pascal Lamy, Director-General of WTO
- Dr. Pedro Paez, Chairman of the Presidential Technical Commission for the New Regional Financial Architecture and Bank of the South and Former Minister of Economic Policy Coordination.

Followed by Interactive debate

Lunchtime event - Leading Division: OSG: Commodities Unit

Room XXVI

2-3 p.m.

Panellist: Prof. Machiko K. Nissanke, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London.

"Taming boom and bust in commodity markets: new mechanisms for a new global economy"

3 p.m. Item 11 (a) Hearing with civil society and the Private Sector

Room XXVI

Welcoming remarks by the UNCTAD secretariat

Panel 1: Follow-up to the UNCTAD Public Symposium and to the United Nations Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis:

Lead discussants:

-Mr. Emmanuel Gyekye Tanoh, *Third World Network – Africa, Ghana*

-Mr. Roberto Bissio, *Third World Institute/Social Watch, Uruguay*

-Mr. Aldo Caliari, Center of Concern, US.

Debate

Panel 2: Immediate challenges related to debt and climate change

Lead discussants:

-Mr. Demba Moussa Dembele, Africaine de Recherche et de Coopération pour l'Appui au Développement Endogène (ARCADE)/ LDC Watch, Senegal

-Mr. Guillermo Kerber, World Council of Churches

Debate

Thursday, 17 September 2009

10 a.m. Sessional Committee II - First plenary meeting

Room XXVI

Item 5 Economic development in Africa: Strengthening regional economic integration for Africa's Development

(TD/B/56/4) & UNCTAD/ALDC/AFRICA/2009)

- Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD
- Introductory remarks by Mr. Habib Ouane, Director, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes
- General statements by regional groups and delegations

2:-3 p.m.

3 p.m.

Room XXVI

"Realizing Sustainable Development gains from Trade"

Lunchtime event: Leading Division: DITC

Sessional Committee II - Second plenary meeting

Room XXVI

Item 5 (continued)

"African Regional Integration in the Context of the Crises"

 Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Keynote Speaker: Regional integration and the way forward

 Mr. Ademola Oyejide, Professor of Economics and Director of the Trade Policy Research and Training Programme at the University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Panellists

- Mr. Offong Ambah, Director General, Ecobank Nigeria
- Mr. Adama Deen, Transportation Advisor, NEPAD
- Mr. Peter Thompson, Director for Development and EPAs, European Commission
- Followed by Interactive debate

PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS Friday, 18 September 2009

10 a.m. **Sessional Committee I - First plenary meeting** Room XXVI

- Item 4 Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least **Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-**2010)
 - (a) The Least Developed Countries Report 2009: The State and Development Governance (UNCTAD/LDC/2009)
 - (b) UNCTAD-wide activities in implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010: eighth progress report (TD/B/56/2)
 - (c) UNCTAD's contribution to the preparatory process of and to the Fourth United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries, 2011 (TD/B/56/6)
 - Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD
 - Introductory remarks by Mr. Habib Ouane, Director, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes
 - Statements by regional groups and members States

2 - 3 p.m.

Special session of the TDB on the UN CEB-Cluster on Trade Room XXVI and Productive Capacity - Leading Division: DOM-**Technical Cooperation Service**

"Delivering AIDFORTRADE: the role of the UN System"

Co-chaired by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary General of UNCTAD and Mr Kandeh Yumkella, Director General of UNIDO.

3 p.m. **Sessional Committee I - Second plenary meeting** Item 4 (continued)

Room XXVI

"The State, Development Governance and **Productive Capacities"**

Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Panellists

- Professor Terry McKinley, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London
- Mr. Josue Dioné, Director, Food Security and Sustainable Development Division, Economic Commission for Africa
- Mr Kandeh Yumkella, Director-General, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

Followed by Interactive debate

Tuesday, 22 September 2009

10 a.m. Plenary (1034th meeting)

Room XXVI

Item 8 Investment for development: Transnational corporations, agricultural production and development

 Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Panellists and key speakers:

- Hon. Aggrey H. Bagiire, Minister of State for Agriculture, Uganda
- Mr. Davor Pisk, Chief Operation Officer, Syngenta
- Mr. Li Zhiqun, Director-General, Department of Foreign Investment Administration, Ministry of Commerce, China
- Mr. Oluniyi Robbin-Coker, Private Sector Advisor, Office of the President, Sierra Leone
- Mr. David Hallam, Deputy Director, Trade and Markets Division, FAO

Followed by

Interactive debate

3 p.m. Plenary (1035th meeting)

Room XXVI

- **Item 10** Technical cooperation activities
 - (b) Report on UNCTAD assistance to the Palestinian people (TD/B/56/3)
 - Presentation by the secretariat
 - H.E. Mr. Bassim Khoury, Minister of National Economy, Palestine
 - Mr. Maxwell Gaylard, Deputy Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process (UNSCO) and the UN Resident Humanitarian Coordinator
 - Statements by regional groups and members States

Item 9 UNCTAD's contribution to the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields (TD/B/56/8)

Presentation by the secretariat, followed by Interactive debate

Wednesday, 23 September 2009

10 a.m. Plenary (1036th meeting)

Room XXVI

- Item 11 Matters requiring action by the Board in the follow-up to the twelfth session of the Conference
 - (b) UNCTAD's communication strategy and publication policy (TD/B/56/9 & TD/B/56/10)
 - Presentation by the secretariat

3 p.m. **Informal meeting**

Room XXVI

- Item 11 Matters requiring action by the Board in the follow-up to the twelfth session of the Conference
 - (b) UNCTAD's communication strategy and publication policy
 - Consideration of draft agreed conclusion
- Item 4 Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010)
 - Consideration of draft agreed conclusions
- Item 5 Economic development in Africa: Strengthening regional economic integration for Africa's Development (continued)
 - Consideration of draft agreed conclusions

Thursday, 24 September 2009

10 a.m. Sessional Committee I - informal meeting Room XXVI Item 4 Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-**2010**) (continued) Consideration of draft agreed conclusions Followed by Formal adoption of the agreed conclusions Sessional Committee II - informal meeting Room XXVI 3 p.m. Item 5 **Economic** development in Africa: Strengthening regional economic integration Africa's **Development** for (continued)

Consideration of draft agreed conclusions

Formal adoption of the agreed conclusions

Followed by

Friday, 25 September 2009

10 a.m. Plenary (1037th meeting)

Room XXVI

- **Item 10** Technical cooperation activities:
 - (a) Review of the technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD (report of the Working on its fifth-third session) (TD/B/WP/212; Add.1 and Add.2; TD/B/WP/215)
 - Presentation of the report
- Item 12 Other matters in the field of trade and development:
 - (a) Progressive development of the law of international trade: Forty-second annual report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (A/64/17)
 - Presentation of the report
 - (b) Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO on its forty-second session
 - Oral presentation of the report
- Item 13 Reports of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget (fifty-second, fifty-second (resumed) and fifty-third sessions (TD/B/WP/209; TD/B/WP/210; TD/B/WP/215;
 - Presentation of the report
- Item 14 Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters:
 - (a) Report by the President 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 2008–2009 and their relevant impact; and the appointment of members of the Advisory Body for 2010
 - Report by the President of the Advisory Body
 - Appointment of the members of the Advisory Body for 2010

Item 14 Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters:

- (b) Designation of intergovernmental bodies for the purposes of rule 76 of the rules of procedure of the Board (TD/B/56/R.1 and TD/B/56/R.2)
- (c) Designation of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board TD/B/56/R.3; TD/B/56/R.4)
- (d) Review of the calendar of meetings (TD/B/INF.214)
- (e) Membership of the Working Party for 2010
- (f) Review of the lists of States contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) (TD/B/INF.215)
- (g) Administrative and financial implications the actions of the Board

3 p.m. Closing plenary (1038th meeting)

Room XXVI

- Item 16 Provisional agenda for the fifty-seventh session of the Board
- Item 4 Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010) (TD/B/56/SC.I/L...)
- Item 5 Economic development in Africa: Strengthening regional economic integration for Africa's Development (TD/B/56/SC.II/L...)
- **Item 17 Other business**

Item 18 Adoption of the report TD/B/56/L... and Add.1-...;)