MULTI-YEAR EXPERT MEETING ON ENHANCING THE ENABLING ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT AT ALL LEVELS IN SUPPORT OF INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

First session

Geneva, Palais des Nations, Salle XXVI, 16-17 April 2013

PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 16 April 2013

10:00 - 10:30 Item 1: Election of Officers

Opening statement by the Secretary General of UNCTAD Introductory remarks, Mr Alfredo Calcagno, Head, Macroeconomic and Development Policies Branch, UNCTAD Item 2: Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

10:30 - 13:00 Item 3: Prospects for building resilience to external shocks and mitigating their impact on trade and development

Session 1: The world economy: recession or transformational growth challenges?

Panellists:

Mr Prabhat Patnaik, Emeritus Professor, Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

Mr Martin Khor, Executive Director, South Centre, Geneva

Mr Humberto Campodónico, Professor of Economics, Universidad Mayor de San Marcos, Lima

Interactive debate

15:00 –18:00 Item 3 (cont.)

Session 2: International trade, vulnerability and changing patterns in global demand

Panellists:

Mr Will Milberg, Professor of Economics, New School for Social Research, New York

Mr Wim Naudé, Director of Research and Professor of Development Economics and Entrepreneurship, Maastricht School of Management

Mr Faizel Ismail, Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the WTO, Permanent Mission of the Republic of South Africa, Geneva

Interactive debate

10:00 -13:00 Item 3 (cont.)

Session 3: Coping with economic instability originating in the international financial system

Panellists:

Mr Xuegong Sun, Deputy Director General, Institute of Economic Research, National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), Beijing

Ms Anne Pettifor, Director of Policy Research in Macroeconomics (PRIME), Executive Director of Advocacy International and Fellow of the New Economics Foundation, London

Mr Arturo O'Connell, Former Member of the Board, Central Bank of Argentina, Buenos Aires

Interactive debate

15:00-18:00 Item 3 (cont.)

Session 4: Statistical indicators measuring the impact of external trade shocks on domestic economies

Panellists:

Mr Henri Laurencin, Head, Development Statistics and Information Branch, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD

Ms Xiaolan Fu, Professor of Technology and International Development and Director of the Technology and Management for Development Centre, Oxford University

Mr Denis Drechsler, Project Manager, Agricultural Market Information System (AMIS), Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome

Interactive debate

Item 4: Closing Plenary Session