



## **Multi-year Expert Meeting on Commodities and Development**

**9–10 April 2014**

*Geneva, Palais des Nations, Room XXVI*

### **Programme Timetable**

*Wednesday, 9 April 2014*

**10 a.m. – 1 a.m.**

#### **Opening session**

Opening statement by **Ms. Anne Miroux**, Director, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD, O-i-C of UNCTAD

**10.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

#### **Item 3: Recent developments and new challenges in commodity markets, and policy options for commodity-based inclusive growth and sustainable development**

Moderator: **Mr. George Riddell**, Attaché, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, will chair the multi-year expert meeting

##### **(a) Overview**

- **Mr. Samuel K. Gayi**, Head of the Special Unit on Commodities, UNCTAD
- **Mr. Boubaker BenBelhassen**, Principal Officer, Trade and Markets Division, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome

##### **(b) Agriculture**

- **Mr. Nathan Kemp**, Economist, International Grains Council, London
- **Mr. Han Loke Fong**, Senior Economist, International Cocoa Organization
- **Mr. Ammar Assabah**, Deputy Director, International Olive Oil Council

**1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Lunch Break**



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**3 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.**

**(c) Recent developments and new challenges in commodity markets: Minerals, ores and metals**

Moderator: **Mr. Glenn Gemerts**, Chair of the Intergovernmental Forum on Mining and Metals, Suriname

*Presenters:*

- **Mr. Carlos Risopatron**, Director of Economics and Environment for the International Copper Study Group, Lisbon
- **Mr. Tang Ke**, Professor, Hanqing Advanced Institute of Economics and Finance, and School of Finance, Renmin University of China, Beijing
- **Ms. Alexandra Laurent**, Statistician, Special Unit on Commodities, UNCTAD

**16.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.**

**(d) Recent developments and new challenges in commodity markets: Energy**

Moderator: **Mr. Gianluca Sambucini**, Secretary of the Committee on Sustainable Energy, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

*Presenters:*

- **Mr. Franz-Josef Wodopia**, Professor, Executive Member of the Managing Board, German Coal Association, and Vice-President, European Association for Coal and Lignite
- **Ms. Valérie Ducrot**, Manager, Gas Centre, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva
- **Dr. Abhishek Deshpande**, Lead Oil Markets Analyst, Natixis



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**Item 4. Natural resources sector: Review and identification of opportunities for commodity-based trade and development**

- **Samuel K. Gayi**, Head of the Special Unit on Commodities, UNCTAD

**10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**(a) Mining taxation regimes and strategies for managing windfall revenues towards a structural transformation**

Moderator: **Her Excellency Ms. Encyla Tina Chishiba Sinjela**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Zambia

*Presenters:*

- **Mr. Euloge Anicet Nkounkou**, International Expert in Petroleum, Minerals and Energy law
- **Ms. Zainab Ahmed**, National Coordinator, Nigeria Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative, Abuja
- **Ms. Alessandra Ordenes**, National Coordinator, Philippine Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative, Manila, Philippines
- **Mr. Sven Behrendt**, Managing Director, Geoeconomica, Geneva
- **Mr. Alexander Medina Herasme**, Director General of Mining, Dominican Republic

**1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Lunch Break**



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**3 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.**

**(c) Role of renewable energy in promoting commodity-based sustainable growth and development: Addressing challenges in developing renewable energy or alternative energy options**

Moderator: **Mr. Robert Piller**, Auprès Consult

*Presenters:*

- **Ms. Marlenis Águila Zamora**, Especialista A en Uso Racional de la Energía en la Dirección de Energías Renovables del Ministerio de Energía y Minas, Cuba
- **Mr. Daniel Favrat, Professeur**, Directeur du Centre de l'Énergie, École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland

**4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.**

**(b) Opportunities for employment creation and human capacity building in the natural resources sector**

Moderator: **Mr. Robert Piller**, Auprès Consult

*Presenters:*

- **Mr. Moustapha Kamal Gueye**, Green Jobs Programme, Enterprises Department, International Labour Organization
- **Mr. Glenn Gemerts**, Chair of the Intergovernmental Forum on Mining and Metals, Suriname

**5.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.**

**Item 5. Closing of the meeting**