

MULTI-YEAR EXPERT MEETING ON PROMOTING ECONOMIC INTEGRATION AND COOPERATION

Second session

Taking stock of the contribution of effective forms of cooperation to the Millennium Development Goals and their evolution in the area of trade and development

Geneva, Palais des Nations, Salle XXVI, 19-20 May 2014

PROGRAMME

Monday, 19 May 2014

10 - 11.30 a.m. Item 1 - Election of officers

- Opening statement: Deputy Secretary-General, UNCTAD
- **Item 2** Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
- Item 3 Taking stock of the contribution of effective forms of cooperation to the Millennium Development Goals and their evolution in the area of trade and development

SESSION 1: The Millennium Development Goals and international partnerships for development

- Introduction: Mr. Richard Kozul-Wright, Director, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD
- Keynote lecture: Mr. Kevin Watkins, Executive Director, Overseas Development Institute, London

Questions and answers, and discussion from the floor

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11.30 a.m. – **Item 3** continued **1 p.m.**

SESSION 2: Mobilization of financial resources for the Millennium Development Goals

This session will examine how to fashion different sources of finance to meet the Millennium Development Goals.

Panellists:

- Mr. Keiji Inoue, Economic Affairs Officer, Development Policy and Analysis Officer, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs
- Ms. Yuefen Li, Head, Debt and Development Finance Branch, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD
- Mr. Manuel Montes, Senior Adviser on Finance and Development, South Centre

Questions and answers, and discussion from the floor

3 – 6 p.m. Item 3 continued

SESSION 3: Trade and the Millennium Development Goals

This session will shed some light on the nexus between trade and the Millennium Development Goals and tackle some of the key issues in harnessing trade for economic and social development.

Panellists:

- Mr. Nelson Ndirangu, Director of Economics and External Trade, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kenya
- Mr. Hashim Ahmed, Economic Policy Analysis Unit, Ethiopia to be confirmed
- Ms. Amelia Santos-Paulino, Economic Affairs Officer, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD
- Mr. Rob Vos, Coordinator, Strategic Programme on Rural Poverty Reduction, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Questions and answers, and discussion from the floor

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10 a.m. – **Item 3** continued **1 p.m.**

SESSION 4: Building productive capacities to achieve the Millennium Development Goals

This session explores the importance of productive capacity development in achieving the Millennium Development Goals.

Panellists:

- Mr. Faizel Ismail, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of South Africa to the World Trade Organization – to be confirmed
- Ms. Annalisa Primi, Senior Economist, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
- Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

Questions and answers, and discussion from the floor

SESSION 5: Chairperson's summary and closing plenary

Item 4 – Adoption of the report of the meeting