

**FOURTH SESSION OF THE MULTIYEAR EXPERT MEETING ON TRANSPORT, TRADE LOGISTICS AND TRADE FACILITATION
SUSTAINABLE FREIGHT TRANSPORT SYSTEMS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Palais des Nations, Geneva, 14–16 October 2015, Room XXVI

DAY 1 – 14 October 2015	
Time	Session
10 – 10.30 a.m.	<p>Anne Miroux, Director, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD Philippe Ramet, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of France: Twenty-first session of the Parties (COP21), United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Host Country Perspective</p>
10.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<p>Introductory remarks: Frida Youssef, Chief, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD</p> <p>The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and COP21 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (Paris, December 2015), will serve as a backdrop for the session. Discussions will introduce key concepts and help identify relevant issues and challenges associated with the effective implementation of sustainable freight transport systems.</p> <p><i>Panellists</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jari Kauppila, Senior Economist, International Transport Forum • Alan McKinnon, Professor, Head of Logistics and Dean of Programmes, Kühne Logistics University, Hamburg, Germany • Rachel Muncrief, Heavy-Duty Vehicle Programme Lead, International Council on Clean Transportation • Sophie Punte, Executive Director, Smart Freight Centre, Amsterdam, Netherlands <p><i>National experiences: China and Pakistan</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Interactive debate</p>
3 – 6 p.m.	<p>Policy, governmental and institutional perspective: This session will highlight selected government and institution-led initiatives, policies and strategies that promote sustainable freight transport systems.</p> <p><i>Panellists</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter Nuttall, Professor and Research Associate, Sustainable Sea Transport Research Programme, Fiji (video link) • Harilaos N. Psarftis, Professor of Transport Optimization, Technical University of Denmark, Department of Transport • Donat M. Bagula, Executive Secretary, Northern Corridor Transit and Transport Coordination Authority, Kenya • Wondwossen Gelaw Abitew, Information and Customer Service Division Manager, Ethiopian Shipping and Logistics Services Enterprise • Michael Luguje, Secretary General, Port Management Association of West and Central Africa <p><i>National experiences: Ecuador, Guatemala and Madagascar</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Interactive debate</p>

6 –7.30 p.m.	Cocktail graciously hosted by the Climate and Clean Air Coalition Delegates Restaurant, Palais des Nations, Building A, 8th floor
DAY 2 – 15 October 2015	
Time	Session
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<p>The industry perspective: The session will present the perspective of the transport industry as well as that of shippers. It will highlight some relevant industry and shippers-led initiatives that seek to promote sustainable freight transport systems.</p> <p><i>Panellists</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susumu Naruse, Secretary General, International Association of Ports and Harbours • Simon Bennett, Director, Policy and External Relations, International Chamber of Shipping • Dirk Vande Velde, Senior Director, Chemical Transports; and Chief Sustainability Officer, Environmental and Social Business Affairs; Mediterranean Shipping Company • Jens Hugel, Head, Goods Transport and Sustainable Development, International Road Transport Union • Nicolas Craven, Manager of Unit, Sustainable Development, International Union of Railways • Celine Hourcade, Manager, Cargo Industry Affairs, International Air Transport Association • Wim Van Geffen, Head, Physical Logistics, Nestle <p style="text-align: center;">Interactive debate</p>
3 –6 p.m.	<p>Financing instruments and mechanisms: This session will discuss finance as a key enabling factor of sustainable freight transport systems.</p> <p><i>Panellists</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vladimir Stenek, Senior Climate Change Specialist, International Finance Corporation, World Bank Group, Washington, D.C. • Marcial Bustinduy, Sustainable Transport Specialist, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Washington, D.C. • Gavin McLean, Partner, White and Case, LLP • Gamal Hegazy, Chair, General Authority for Land and Dry Ports, Ministry of Transport, Cairo • Ansgar Kauf, Independent Expert on public–private partnerships <p style="text-align: center;">Interactive debate</p>

DAY 3 – 16 October 2015

<p>10 a.m. – 1 p.m.</p>	<p>Partnerships, collaborative approaches and the way forward:</p> <p>This session will consider how best to leverage existing relevant partnerships and assess the merit of considering new partnerships with a sustainable freight transport focus. Additionally, the session will gather insights and guidance to help formulate the way forward, including in light of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and COP21.</p> <p><i>Panellists</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cornie Huizenga, Secretary General, Partnership on Sustainable, Low Carbon Transport• Denise Sioson, Initiative Coordinator, Green Freight Action Plan, Climate and Clean Air Coalition to Reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants• Laetitia Dablanc, Director of Research, French Institute of Science and Technology for Transport, Development and Networks, Volvo Research and Educational Foundations, Urban Freight• Angie Farrag-Thibault, Associate Director, Transport and Logistics, Business for Social Responsibility• Richard Liu, Programme Officer, Environment Programme China, Oak Foundation• Ariadne Abel, Associate Programme Management Officer, Sustainable Transport Division, Economic Commission for Europe• Joe Bradley, Deputy Director, External Relations Division, World Intellectual Property Organization <p><i>General discussion and the way forward</i></p>
<p>3 – 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Closing</p>