



9th Multi-year Expert Meeting on Commodities and Development

12–13 October 2017, Geneva, Palais des Nations

Final programme

Thursday, 12 October 2017

Opening session: 10.00–10.30 a.m.

Opening statements by: Ms. Isabelle Durant, Deputy Secretary-General, UNCTAD

Item 1: Election of officers
Chair: H.E. **Ambassador Kamal Gubara**, Deputy Head, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Sudan to the United Nations Office
Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur: H.E. **Ambassador Maria Teresa T. Almojuela**, Deputy permanent representative, Permanent Mission of the Philippines to the United Nations and other International Organisations in Geneva

Item 2: Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

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: H.E. **Ambassador Kamal Gubara**, Deputy Head, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Sudan to the United Nations Office

Presenters:

(a) Overview

Mr. Janvier Nkurunziza, Special Unit on Commodities, UNCTAD

Presentation of the background note on "Recent developments and new challenges in commodity markets and policy options for commodity-based inclusive growth and sustainable development"

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

Mr. Yves Jégourel, Assistant Professor, University of Bordeaux, Deputy Director, Cyclope
Trends in minerals, ores and metals markets and their implications for investment

Mr. Guillaume Albasini, Energy and Mining Analyst

Trends in minerals, ores and metals markets: is now the beginning of a new business cycle for minerals, ores and metals?

Mr. Kris Terauds, Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD

Do changes in trade policy affect commodity prices? The case of Indonesia's ban on the export of nickel ores

Interactive discussions

1–3 p.m. Lunch break

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3–4.30 p.m.

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

Moderator: **Mr. John Struthers**, Director, Centre for African Research on Enterprise and Economic Development (CAREED), University of the West of Scotland

(c) ***Recent developments and new challenges in commodity markets: Agriculture***

Presenters:

Mr. Sergio René Araujo Enciso, Economist, United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation, Trade and Markets Division

FAO Medium Term Projections: OECD-FAO Agricultural Outlook 2017-2026

Ms. Maria Eugenia Aviles Zevallos, Deputy Head, Embassy of Ecuador, London, UK

Recent developments in the cocoa market and how they affect Ecuador

Mr. Mathieu Bours, Associé, Conseiller en environnement, Cercle du cacao, Brussels, Belgium

Land Ethics in Cocoa - How the Bean-to-bar movement could foster development in producing countries

Interactive discussions

4.30–6 p.m.

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

Presenters:

Mr. Andrey Kuleshov, Common Funds for Commodities

Investing in sustainable energy access in the development of commodity value chains

Mr. Samba Buri Mboup, Researcher and Lecturer, New Edge Consulting, Dakar, Senegal

Current trends in energy market and their implications for Senegal's energy mix

Mr. Guillaume Albasini, Energy and Mining Analyst

Trends in energy commodity markets

Interactive discussions

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10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Item 4: Commodity dependence and Sustainable Development Goals

(a) *Primary commodities' contribution to trade and sustainable development: mechanisms and policy options*

(b) **Moderator:** **Mr. Michael Wamai**, Economic Counselor, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Uganda

Presenters:

Ms. Alexandra Laurent, Statistician, UNCTAD Special Unit on Commodities:

Launch of the State of Commodity Dependence Report 2016

Mr. Janvier Nkurunziza, Special Unit on Commodities, UNCTAD

Presentation of the thematic background note: Commodity dependence and the Sustainable Development Goals

Session 1: Dynamics in the commodity sector and food security (SDG 2)

Presenters:

Ms. Vilayphone XINDAVONG, Deputy Director, Multilateral Trade Division, Foreign Trade Policy Department, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Laos

Food security-Lao's perspective

Ms. Beris Gwynne, Incitare

Accelerating the achievement of SDG 2- The contributions of local food systems and global supply chains

Ms. Carolyn Rodrigues Birkett, Director of FAO Liaison Office in Geneva

The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2017

Session 2: Dynamics in the commodity sector and energy security (SDG 7)

Presenters:

Ms. Kusum Lata, Team Lead, Mitigation Data and Analysis programme, UNFCCC, Bonn, Germany

Commodity dependence and impact of the implementation of mitigation actions in the context of the Paris Agreement

Mr. Elhacene Louzazna, International Markets Director, ALNAFT, Ministère de l'Energie, Alger, Algeria

The oil sector and sustainable development in Algeria

Interactive discussions

1–3 p.m. Lunch break

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Item 4: Commodity dependence and Sustainable Development Goals (*continued*)

(c) Policy options for commodity-dependent developing countries to achieve SDGs by 2030

Session 3: Value addition and natural resource management

Moderator: Mr. Janvier Nkurunziza, Special Unit on Commodities, UNCTAD

Presenters:

Mr. Samba Buri Mboup, Researcher and Lecturer, New Edge Consulting, Dakar, Senegal
Critical role of human capital in natural resource management

Mr. Jean-Jacques Ikama, Conseiller Hydrocarbures et Mines solides auprès du Premier Ministre, République du Congo
Challenges facing commodity exporting countries in their negotiation of energy and mining contracts and the distribution of rents: case study of Congo

Mr. John Struthers, Director, Centre for African Research on Enterprise and Economic Development (CAREED), University of the West of Scotland
Global Value Chains: Participation of Smallholder Producers in African Countries: Lessons from Ethiopian Smallholder Coffee Producers

Interactive discussions

5.30–6 p.m.

Item 5: Adoption of the report of the meeting

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