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- Research and Analysis
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- Technical Cooperation



Introduction

- This presentation covers the period from June 2015 to October 2016
- Presents major activities relating to commodity-specific provisions of the Doha Mandate & Accra Accord
- Presentation made along the three pillars: research and analysis, consensus building, and technical cooperation



Research and Analysis

- Contributions to the Intergovernmental Multi-year Expert Meeting on Commodities and Development 2016
 - Recent developments in commodities markets & policy options for commodity-based inclusive growth and sustainable development
 - Thematic paper on reviewing UNCTAD efforts to strengthen commodity production in CDDCs, improve food security & export competitiveness
- Contributions to the UN General Assembly and other organizations:
 - General Assembly paper (biennial)
 - World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP)



Research and Analysis [2]

- Major reports, working papers and ad hoc studies
 - Commodities and Development Report 2015: Smallholder Farmers & Sustainable Commodity Development: launched at MC10, Nairobi
 - Commodities at a Glance: Special issue on gold
 - New US Farm Bill and its implications on cotton sector in Africa
 - Cocoa industry: integrating small farmers into the global value chain
 - Trade Misinvoicing in Primary Commodities in Developing Countries: The cases of Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Nigeria, South Africa and Zambia



Some Recent Publications



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Research and Analysis [3]

- Work in progress:
 - Commodities and Development Report 2017: Commodities Markets, economic growth and development (with the FAO)
 - 4 background papers: Diamonds in Botswana, Nickel in Indonesia, Oil in Nigeria, and copper in Zambia
 - Paper on "Shared Value as a Stepping Stone for Development Linkages? Evidence from Central Africa" recently presented at the IGF
 - The State of Commodity Dependence 2016
 - Commodities at a Glance: Shale oil
 - Just started research work on gum arabic



Intergovernmental Consensus Building

- Servicing the Policy dialogue on recent developments in commodities markets and implications in CDDCs, GA (New York)
- Africa Oil, Gas and Minerals Trade and Finance Conference and Exhibition -- Africa OilGasMine
 - Theme: Extractive Industries and Sustainable Job Creation
 - 700 participants
 - Organized in Sudan
- Global Commodities Forum -- GCF:
 - Theme: Breaking the chains of commodity dependence
 - 250 participants; 40 speakers, and 15 high level representatives of developing countries
 - Organized as an UNCTAD XIV pre-event in Nairobi



Intergovernmental Consensus Building [2]

- Collaboration with other organizations
 - G-20 initiative on commodities: Agricultural Market Information Systems
 - Milan Expo 2015
 - Intergovernmental Forum on Mining, Minerals, Metals and Sustainable Development



Technical Cooperation

- Contributions to the UNCTAD Virtual Institute
 - Training courses in Chad and Togo
 - Mentoring VI fellows
- Development Account 9th Tranche Project: Strengthening the capacity of the ECCAS countries to enhance domestic production linkages from the mineral resources sector
- Development Account 10th Tranche Project: Improving the value added of cotton by-products in Eastern and Southern Africa (ESA)
- Iron Ore Trust Fund Project



Thank you.

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