

# UNCTAD Trade Policy Dialogue:

World Economic Situation and Prospects 2021 on trade:  
From short-term disruptions to longer-term resilience

Wednesday, 3 March 2021, ONLINE, 2.30–3.30 p.m. Geneva time

# PROGRAMME

This Trade Policy Dialogue is organized by UNCTAD in partnership with the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) and the Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE). The session will discuss major findings in the flagship report World Economic Situation and Prospects 2021, which assesses key trends in international trade and agenda for policy, including the roles of global value chains and services in enhancing economic resilience.

## Questions

- How do we overcome short-term trade disruptions to reinforce longer-term resilience?
- How do we take advantage of dynamic comparative advantage and “servicification”?
- How do different countries see the need to revitalize the multilateral trading system?

## Programme

2.30 p.m. Opening

2.35 p.m. Panel discussion

### *Moderator*

Miho Shirotori, Head, Trade Negotiations and Commercial Diplomacy Branch, UNCTAD

### *Panel*

- **Ingo Pitterle**, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Global Economic Monitoring Branch, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs
- **Bruno Antunes**, Economic Affairs Officer, Trade Negotiations and Commercial Diplomacy Branch, UNCTAD
- **Polina Tonkikh**, Director, World Trade Organization Expertise Centre, Russian Federation

3.15 p.m. Q&A

3.30 p.m. End of the meeting



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