

# NOTIFICATION

## **Global Commodities Forum**

**Tenth session** 

9 and 10 December 2024, 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Room XIX, Palais des Nations, Geneva

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The tenth session of the Global Commodities Forum, organized by UN Trade and Development in collaboration with its partners, will be held on 9 and 10 December 2024 in room XIX of the Palais des Nations in Geneva. The meeting will start at 10 a.m. on Monday, 9 December 2024.

The Forum is a major multi-stakeholder conference aimed at discussing pragmatic solutions to challenges faced by stakeholders in agriculture, mineral and energy-related commodity value chains, with a focus on developing countries. The theme of the tenth session is "Commodities amid the climate emergency: Sustainable production, trade and value addition".

The Forum will bring together stakeholders from the public and private sectors, international organizations and academia for policy dialogues that address challenges to and opportunities in commodity production, trade and value addition in the context of the increasing risks and disruptions caused by climate change. The ongoing climate emergency has significant implications for agriculture, mineral and energy-related value chains worldwide.

At each session of the Forum, panellists will examine particular aspects of the ongoing climate emergency and the energy transition that affect sustainable production, trade and value addition in different commodity sectors. The four sessions are dedicated to the following issues:

- Adaptation to the energy transition in fossil fuel-dependent developing countries
- Promoting natural fibers in the climate action agenda
- Fostering sustainable trade in agricultural commodities: The role of standards and traceability
- Critical minerals and the energy transition

Information about the event, including the concept note on the Global Commodities Forum and concept notes for each session, is available at https://unctad.org/meeting/global-commodities-forum-2024.

### **Participation**

This session is open to all member States of UNCTAD. Participants may include representatives from national Governments, international commodity bodies and the private sector, as well as policymakers and experts, from all regions of the world. Participants attend the meeting at their own expense. Registration and attendance are free of charge.

Online registration, at <u>Global Commodities Forum</u>, is mandatory for all those wishing to attend the session, including invited government representatives, experts and speakers.

Member States of UNCTAD are requested to help disseminate information about the Global Commodities Forum to the relevant stakeholders in their countries.



### Logistics

The session will be held with physical participation in room XIX of the Palais des Nations, with simultaneous interpretation into the six official languages of the United Nations. Those who cannot attend the meeting in person will be able to listen to the live audio stream in the six official languages of the United Nations. The link to listen live will be sent to registered participants, at the email address used for registration, one day in advance of the start of the session.

Participants will receive a digital badge consisting of their photo, a quick response (QR) code and the name and date of the meeting. The digital badge will be sent to each participant by email once they have been accredited by the meeting organizer and should be downloaded to a mobile telephone or other mobile device. Participants may also print the digital badge in order to use the QR code. Participants are also requested to carry a passport or similar national identity card with them. Before entering the Palais des Nations, participants are requested to scan their badges at the United Nations Security Service, Pregny Gate entrance, 14 Avenue de la Paix, 1202 Geneva. The Security Service is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Because of the security measures in force, participants are strongly advised to arrive before 9 a.m. in order to complete entry procedures in good time and proceed to the meeting in Building E of the Palais. Taxis are not allowed to enter the grounds of the Palais des Nations. Visitors should therefore be dropped off at the indicated entrance gates. Furthermore, luggage may not be brought into the buildings unless the Security Service gives special clearance.

#### **Contact details and enquiries**

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