

Multi-Year Expert Meeting on

COMMODITIES AND DEVELOPMENT



Geneva, 25-26 January 2012

Preliminary Programme

Wednesday 25 January 2012	
09:30	Registration
10:00-11:00	Opening session Item 1: Election of officers Opening statements by:
	Dr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD
	Item 2: Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
11:00 - 13:00	Morning session
	Item 3A: Developments and challenges in commodity markets: current situation and outlook
	Introduction by Samuel K. Gayi , Head of the Special Unit on Commodities, UNCTAD Lead discussants
	David HALLAM-Food and Agriculture, Organization of the United Nations, Rome
	 Machiko NISSANKE-School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, UK
	 Etsuo KITAHARA-International Grains Council, London International Grains Council, London, UK
	Interactive discussion
13:00- 15:00	Book Launch - Room XXVI
Lunch Break	"The Impact of China on Global Commodity Prices: The global reshaping of the resource sector" by Masuma Farooki, Raphael Kaplinsky (cf last page)
15:00 - 18:00	Afternoon session
	3B. Oil and Gas, Minerals & Metals, and Agricultural Commodities
	Introduction by Junior Roy Davis , Chief, Commodities Research and Analysis Section, SUC, UNCTAD
	Lead discussants- Agricultural Commodities
	Christopher STEVENS-Overseas Development Institute, UK
	Denis SEUDIEU-International Coffee Organization, UK
	Interactive discussion
	Lead discussants- Oil and Gas, Minerals & Metals
	Bahattin BUYUKSAHIN-International Energy Agency, France
	Interactive discussion
	3C. Outlook of commodity markets, making the most of commodities
	Raphaël KAPLINSKY-The Open University, UK
	Interactive discussion
18:00-19:00 Reception	

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10:00- 13:00	Morning session	
	Item 4: (i) Review of UNCTAD activities to assist commodity-dependent developing countries, including small commodity producers, in their efforts to address commodity challenges and promote development gains from commodity production and trade (Accra Accord, para. 93).	
	Agricultural sector	
	Introduction by Samuel Gayi, Head of the Special Unit on Commodities, UNCTAD	
	Lead discussants	
	Jean-François CASANOVA-Risk Management, France	
	Pierre BERTHELOT-Coordination Unit, EU/AAACP, Brussels	
	Robert PILLER-Auprès Consulting, Geneva	
	Interactive discussion	
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	Oil and Gas sectors and Minerals & Metals sectors	
	Introduction by Junior Roy Davis , Chief, Commodities Research and Analysis Section, SUC, UNCTAD	
	Lead discussants	
	Preetam MALOOR-ITU, Switzerland	
	Jonathan GREEN-Addax E&P, Switzerland	
	Interactive discussion	

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17:30 -18:00

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Item 5: Adoption of the report of the meeting

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The Impact of China on Global Commodity Prices

The Disruption of the World's Resource Sector

By Masuma Farooki, Raphael Kaplinsky

Drawing on a large number of diverse sources, *The Impact of China on Global Commodity Prices* comprehensively and systematically examines the trends in the prices of different sets of commodities, analyses the drivers of China's demand for commodities, the factors constraining global supply and the role which the financialisation of commodities is playing in constraining commodity markets. It also documents the growing role of China as a foreign investor in the commodities sectors. All of these trends are woven together to explore the fabric of strategic choices confronting public and private sector decision-makers.

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