

Ministerial Round Table

6 October 2021, 4–5.30 p.m.



OVERVIEW

Reshaping global and regional value chains



Description

The pandemic has aggravated the pressures on international production systems to reconfigure for recovery and resilience, while accounting for changes in global and regional governance, the new industrial revolution and the sustainability imperative. Together, these forces will lead to new patterns for investment and different investment–development outcomes. The ministerial round table will forge new consensus on how to reap the benefits of these trends for development and how to avoid their negative impacts.

Key issues

1. The reconfiguration of global value chains for recovery and resilience will have profound implications for inclusive and sustainable growth. Care needs to be taken that the substantial recovery programmes being adopted by many Governments and the resilience strategies of the private sector will boost investments, through their contribution to economic growth, employment creation, enterprise development and sustainable development, in sustainable and inclusive growth that benefits all countries, particularly the most vulnerable.
2. This poses tremendous challenges and opportunities for the global investment and development community and calls for collective efforts to shape the future landscape of global investment and ensure the benefits for inclusive growth and sustainable development.



Participants

Introductory remarks:

Ms. Rebeca Grynspan, Secretary-General, UNCTAD

Speakers:

Mr. David Bahati, Minister of State for Industry, Republic of Uganda

Ms. Elisabeth Winkelmeier-Becker, Parliamentary State Secretary in the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy, Germany

Mr. John Denton, Secretary-General, International Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Mohammed Ali Al Shorafa Al Hammadi, Chairman, Abu Dhabi Department of Economic Development, United Arab Emirates

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Ms. Nisha Pillai, Journalist

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