

Maritime transport in times of polycrisis

Programme

23–24 October 2024, 10 a.m to 6 p.m. (CET) Room XXVI, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Wednesday, 23 October

10–10.30 a.m. Opening plenary meeting
Agenda item 1 Election of officers
Agenda item 2 Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
Agenda item 3 Maritime transport in times of polycrisis
Opening remarks Opening remarks Logistics (DTL), UNCTAD
Introduction of the background Note
Ms. Frida Youssef, Chief, Transport Section, Trade Logistics
Branch, DTL, UNCTAD

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.

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Panel discussion

Informal discussion

Understanding the challenges: Presentation of the UNCTAD Review of Maritime Transport 2024, "Navigating maritime chokepoints"

Mr. Jan Hoffmann, Head, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD

- ➤ Ms. Soha Tharwat, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the UN in Geneva
- > Ms. Elvira Haezendonck, Professor of Strategy, Infrastructure and Sustainability, VUB, Brussels
- ➤ Ms. Marina Sousa, Global Head of Legal at Fyffes International S.A., and Treasurer of Women's International Shipping & Trading Association (WISTA) Switzerland, Geneva

Interactive discussion

1-3 p.m. Lunch Break

3-5 p.m. Informal discussion

Future proofing maritime transport and logistics

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Navigating disruptions and enhancing resilience: Focus on maritime chokepoints and shipping networks

- ➤ Mr. John Manners-Bell, Founder and CEO of Transport Intelligence Ltd, London
- ➤ Ms. Zera Zheng, Global Head of Business Resilience Consulting, Maersk, The Hague
- ➤ Mr. Ahmed Elshazly, Senior Economist, Economic Unit, Planning & Research Department, Suez Canal Authority, Ismailia, Egypt
- ➤ Mr. Hossam Abdelkarim, Deputy Director and Economist, Suez Canal Authority, Ismailia, Egypt
- > Mr. James Hookham, Director, Global Shippers Forum, London
- ➤ Ms. Hassiba Benamara, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD

National experiences, Interactive discussion

5-6 p.m.

Harnessing sustainable and resilient transportation systems and logistics for food security

- ➤ Ms. Frida Youssef, Chief, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD
- Mr. Jonathan Hepburn, Counsellor, World Trade Organization, Geneva
- **Ms. Zera Zheng**, Head of Global Resilience, Maersk, The Hague
- ➤ Ms. Paula Bartolomeu, Board Member, Angola Cargo and Logistics Certification Regulatory Agency (ARCCLA), Luanda

National experiences, Interactive discussion



Thursday, 24 October

10 a.m.-1 p.m. : Informal discussions

Agenda item 3

Maritime decarbonization, energy transition and ports

Decarbonization of the shipping sector as an imperative and the **10–11 a.m.** criticality of a just and equitable transition to a low/zero carbon shipping paradigm

- > Ms. Aideé Saucedo, Technical Officer, Subdivision for Protective Measures, Marine Environment Division, International Maritime Organization, London
- > Mr. Jan Hoffmann, Head, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, **UNCTAD**
- Mr. Ludovic Laffineur, Senior Policy Advisor, Shipping Decarbonisation, Global Maritime Forum, Copenhagen
- **Mr. John Fatuimoana Kautoke**, Advisor, Micronesian Center for Sustainable Transport, London

11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Unlocking the potential of ports to support energy transition and decarbonize shipping

Interactive discussion

- Ms. Luisa Rodriguez, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD
- **Mr. Victor Shieh**, Communications Director, International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH), Brussels
- National experiences
- Mr. Wisdom Ahiataku-Togobo, Director, Renewable & Sustainable Energy, Alternative Technology Consult, Accra
- Mr. Hicham Kharoufi, Port Call Optimization and Invoicing Manager, Tanger Med Port Authority, Tangier
- **Ms. Minerva Lim**, Senior Sustainability Manager, Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA), Singapore

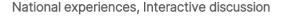
Interactive discussion

3-4.15 p.m.

Informal session: Role of innovative finance in supporting sector transformation

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- > Mr. Richard Bolwijn, Head, Investment Research Branch, Division on Investment and Enterprise, UNCTAD
- > Ms. Frida Youssef, Chief, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD
- > Mr. Yves Leyss, Co-founder and Managing Partner, Capital 2050 SA, Geneva
- > Ms. Marie-Caroline Laurent, Group Vice President, Deputy Head of Maritime Policy and Government Affairs, MSC Group,
- > Ms. Tanja Buzek, co-rapporteur, European Economic and Social Committee, Brussels





4.15-6 p.m.

Interactive discussion on conclusions, key messages, recommendations and priority areas for further work Building sustainable and resilient transport and logistics: UNCTAD's Role

- > Ms. Regina Asariotis, Chief, Policy and Legislation Section, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD
- > Ms. Celine Bacrot, Economic Affairs Officer, Trade Facilitation Section, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD
- > Mr. Edwin Gonzalo Ayala, Knowledge Management Officer, TrainForTrade Programme, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD
- > Ms. Frida Youssef, Chief, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, DTL, UNCTAD

Item 4

Closing plenary

Adoption of the report of the meeting

