# **UNCTAD15** pre-event: Civil Society online discussion series

# COVID-19 and Challenges for Financing for Development

7 April 2021 | 2 to 4.15 p.m. CET (Geneva time)

## 2 to 2:15 p.m. CET

Civil Society online discussion series in the lead up to UNCTAD15 Official opening

- Ms. Isabelle Durant, Acting Secretary-General, UNCTAD
- The Honourable Colin Jordan, Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations, Barbados

## 2.15 to 3.15 p.m. CET

COVID-19 and systemic challenges in Financing for Development Session 1

Moderated by Mr. George Gill

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Richard Kozul-Wright, Director, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD
- Ms. Heron Belfon, Project Coordinator, Jubilee Caribbean

#### Panel:

- Mr. Stefano Prato, Managing Director, Society for International Development
- Mr. Alvin Mosioma, Executive Director, Tax Justice Network Africa
- Ms. Patricia Miranda, Advocacy Coordinator, Latin American Network for Economic and Social Justice
- Mr. Jason Braganza, Executive Director, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development

### 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. CET

Mobilizing public and private investment for development after COVID-19 Session 2

Moderated by Mr. George Gill

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. James Zhan, Director, Division on Investment and Enterprise, UNCTAD
- Dr. Lynette Holder, CEO, the Small Business Association, Barbados

## Panel:

- H.E. Mr. Crispin Conroy, Ambassador/Permanent Observer of the International Chamber of Commerce to the United Nations and other International Organizations at Geneva
- Ms. Kinda Mohamadieh, Senior researcher, Third World Network
- Mr. Burghard Ilge, Senior Policy Officer International Trade and Investment Expert, Both
- Ms. Maria José Romero, Policy and Advocacy Manager, European Network on Debt and Development