UNCTAD-SELA Webinar: Promoting substitutes and alternatives to plastics for clean waters and sustainable economic development in the Caribbean Basin

PROGRAMME

Date: Thursday, 29 April 2021
Time: 11:00am Caracas, 5:00pm Geneva
Platform: Zoom

Moderator: Ambassador Chad Blackman, LLB, LLM, ACIArb – Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Barbados to the United Nations, and Chair of the WTO Committee on Trade and Environment (CTE)

11:00 – 11:10 Opening Words by Ambassador Javier Paulinich, Permanent Secretary of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA)

11:10 – 11:15 Remarks by Roberto Sabonge, Secretary General of the Organization of Caribbean States (OCS)

11:15 – 11:50 The Consequences of Plastics Production and the Transition to Substitutes and Alternatives as an Opportunity for Development
- David Vivas Eugui – Legal Officer at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- Diana Barrowclough – Senior Economist at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

11:50 – 12:05 Initiatives of the Global Sustainable Tourism Council (GSTC) to Promote Sustainable Tourism Practices
- Luigi Cabrini – Chairman of the Board, Global Sustainable Tourism Council (GSTC)

12:05 – 12:25 Patterns of Plastic Scrap Trade in Latin America and the Caribbean, Related Policies and Regional Comparisons
- Henrique Pacini – Economist at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and Technical Advisor, Sustainable Manufacturing and Environmental Pollution Programme (SMEP)

12:25 – 12:40 The Role of the Private Sector in Shaping and Implementing Jamaica’s 2019 Ban on Certain Types of Plastics
- Imega Breese McNab – Executive Director of the Private Sector Organization of Jamaica (PSOJ)

12:40 – 13:00 Questions and Answers / Comments