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NOTIFICATION

Trade and Development Commission Eighth session

Geneva, 4 November 2016

The eighth session of the Trade and Development Commission will be held on 4 November 2016 and will open at 10 a.m. in Room XXVI of the Palais des Nations.

The Commission will provide an opportunity for member States and other stakeholders to discuss key trade and development issues related to building more resilient, sustainable and inclusive development.

In particular, the Commission will discuss the report of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy on its fifteenth session, along with the reports of the following expert meetings:

- (a) Multi-year Expert Meeting on Transport, Trade Logistics and Trade Facilitation
- (b) Multi-year Expert Meeting on Commodities and Development
- (c) Multi-year Expert Meeting on Trade, Services and Development
- (d) Multi-year Expert Meeting on Promoting Economic Integration and Cooperation
- (e) Multi-year Expert Meeting on Enhancing the Enabling Environment at All Levels in Support of Inclusive and Sustainable Development
- (f) Expert Meeting on Trade as a Tool for the Economic Empowerment of Women

The Commission will also discuss the outcomes of the progress report on promoting and strengthening synergies among the three pillars of UNCTAD work.

Participation

The Commission is open to all member States of UNCTAD. Specialized agencies, intergovernmental bodies, non-governmental organizations (general and special category) are also eligible to participate as observers.

Online registration is mandatory for all those wishing to attend the session. To do so, please use the following link: Trade and Development Commission 8th session.

Any enquiries concerning registration should be sent to the UNCTAD secretariat, Intergovernmental Support Service, Palais des Nations, CH-1211 Geneva 10; fax: 41 22 917 0214; e-mail: meetings@unctad.org.

Logistics

Before entering the Palais des Nations, participants are requested to collect their badges at the United Nations Security Service, Pregny Gate entrance, 14 avenue de la Paix. The Service is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Because of the security measures in force, participants are strongly advised to arrive before 9 a.m. in order to complete entry procedures in good time and proceed to the meeting in Building E of the Palais. Participants are requested to carry a passport or similar national identity card. Taxis are not allowed to enter the grounds of the Palais des Nations; therefore, visitors will be dropped off at the entrance gates. Furthermore, luggage may not be brought into the buildings unless the Security Service grants special clearance.

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