

Programme

23–24 November 2026, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (CET)
Council Chamber, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Monday, 23 November

10 a.m.–1 p.m. **Opening plenary**

Item 1 **Adoption of the agenda** (TD/B/EX(79)/1)

Opening remarks by Mr. Pedro M. Moreno, Acting Secretary-General, UN Trade and Development

Item 2 **Interdependence and development strategies in a globalized world** (UNCTAD/TDR/2026 and Overview)

Mr. Creon Butler, Director, Global Economy & Finance Programme, Chatham House, the United Kingdom

Prof. Özgür Orhangazi, Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Türkiye

H.E. Ambassador Davaasuren Gerelmaa, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Mongolia to the United Nations and other international organizations in Geneva

Moderator: Ms. Anastasia Nesvetailova, Chief, Macroeconomic and Development Policies Branch, GDS, UN Trade and Development

Statements by regional groups and member States and Q&A

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3–6 p.m. **Outstanding matters from the 73rd session of the Board (item approved at the TDB 73rd session and to be formalized at the opening session of the TDB 79th executive session)**

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10 a.m.–1 p.m. **Informal consultations (if needed)**

3–6 p.m. **Closing plenary**

Item 3 **Report of the Working Party on the Programme Plan and Programme Performance** (TD/B/WP/344)

Q&A

Item 4 **Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre**

Q&A

Item 5 **Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters:**

(a) Designation of intergovernmental bodies for the purposes of rule 76 of the rules of procedure of the Board

(b) Designation of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board

Item 6 **Other business**

Item 7 **Report of the Trade and Development Board on its seventy-ninth executive session**