



Programme

Webinar on COVID-19 and Maritime Transport: Disruption and Resilience in Africa

15 April 2021

9:00 – 11:00 hrs (Geneva); 10:00 – 12:00 hrs (Beirut); 11:00 – 13:00 hrs (Addis Ababa)

The webinar will discuss the following topics from both the global and regional perspectives:

- Impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on maritime transport and challenges faced
- Response measures and coping strategies introduced by government and industry stakeholders
- Lessons learned and good practices
- Future proofing the maritime transport and the resilience building imperative

9:00-09:20: Introduction and welcoming remarks

- **Ms. Frida Youssef**, Chief, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD
- **Mr. Robert Lisinge**, Chief, Energy, Infrastructure and Services Section, Private Sector Development and Finance Division, UNECA.
- **Mr. Adel Alghaberi**, First Economic Affairs Officer, Shared Economic Prosperity Cluster, UNESCWA.

09:20-10:00: COVID-19 and Maritime Transport: Disruptions and Resilience in Africa

- **Mr. Athanasios A. Pallis**, Professor, University of the Aegean, Greece (Consultant, UNCTAD) (40 minutes)

10:00-10:40: Experiences from the region

- **Mr. Rachid Houari**, Port Central Director, Tanger Med, African Ports Transport Taskforce (10 minutes)
- **Mr. Omae J. Nyarandi**, Executive Secretary, Northern Corridor Transit and Transport Coordination Authority (NCTTCA) (10 minutes)
- **Mr. Gilbert Langat**, Chief Executive Officer, Shippers Council of Eastern Africa (10 minutes)
- **Mr. Yaya Yedan**, Senior Transport Specialist, SSATP Integration, World Bank (10 minutes)

Q&As (20 minutes)
