

Building the capacities of Cambodia to upgrade and diversify its fish exports to meet international quality and safety standards

1-3 March 2016, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Segment I. Technical or expert level Session (1 March 2016)

08:30-09:00 **Registration**

09:00-09:30 **Welcome and introduction**

*H.E. Kem Sithan, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Commerce, Cambodia
Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD*

Session I: Policies and strategies for export diversification and structural economic transformation; the role of fisheries and the impact of international quality and safety standards with implications for Cambodia

09:30-10:00 **Challenges, opportunities and prospects for diversification and structural economic transformation: Policy implications for Cambodia**

Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

10:00-10:20 **Role of the fisheries sector, challenges facing the sector, and policy actions to address the challenges in Cambodia**

Mr. Chhouk Borin, Dean, Faculty of Fisheries, Royal University of Agriculture

10:20-11:00 **Coffee/Tea break**

11:00-11:30 **The implications of international standards to the fish sauce chain of Cambodia**

Mr. Chom Mean, Head of Fish Sauce Community, Koh Kong

11:30-12:00 **Demand and supply analysis of fisheries exports with implications for Cambodia**

Mr. Mussie Deleegn, Chief, Landlocked Developing Countries' Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

12:00-12:30 **Interactive discussions and summing up**

12:30-14:00 **Lunch break**

Session II: Global demand and supply trends of fisheries export, the role of fisheries in socio-economic development: Policies and strategies to address economic and environmental sustainability

14:00-14:30 **Challenges of the fisheries sector, and UNIDO's interventions to uplift the sector**

Mr. Sin Kang, Project Coordinator, Marine Fishery Project, UNIDO Cambodia

14:30-15:00 **Climate Change and Potential impacts on fisheries - Cambodian Perspectives**

Mr. Akhteruzzaman Sano, Save the Earth Cambodia

15:00-15:30 **Private sector value-adding - Moving beyond fish for fisheries exports**

Mr. Braonh Chun, Kam Pot, Association of Fish Meat Paste

15:30-16:00 **Coffee/Tea break**

16:00-17:00 **Interactive discussions and summing up**

End of the first day of the technical session

Segment I Technical or expert level Session (2 March 2016)

Session III: Introduction to UNCTAD's manual on improving national standards in compliance with international sanitary and phytosanitary standards

- 09:30-09:50 **Scope, purpose and technical aspect of the manual**
Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD
- 09:50-10:15 **Prospects and opportunities for upgrading fish processing facilities in Cambodia**
Mr. Som Sarim, Preah Sihanouk, Head of Fish Processing Association
- 10:15-10:45 **Coffee/Tea break**
- 10:45-11:10 **Aquaculture: What can Cambodia learn from the successful experiences of other developing countries?**
Mr. Mussie Deleegn, Chief, Landlocked Developing Countries' Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD
- 11:10-11:40 **Policies and strategies to mitigate the negative impacts of climate change on the fishery sector of Cambodia: National preparedness and international support**
Mr. Akhteruzzaman Sano, Save the Earth Cambodia
- 11:40-12:10 **Importance of food safety and quality for fish processing in Cambodia**
Mr. Sokh Koun, Koh Kong, Association of Fish Processing
- 12:10-12:30 **Interactive discussions and summing up**
- 12:30-14:00 **Lunch break**

Session IV: The way forward: Significance of the manual to Cambodia and guidance on how to mainstream and incorporate it in national export development strategies.
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- 14:00-14:30 **Policy lessons from other developing countries in tapping the potential of fisheries exports**
Mr. Ben McCarthy, Associate Economic Affairs Officer, Landlocked Developing Countries' Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD
- 14:30-15:00 **State of the dried shrimp processing industry in Cambodia**
Mr. Chin Somnang, Preah Sihanouk, Head of Dried Shrimp Processing Association
- 15:00-16:00 **Priority actions in meeting international quality and safety standards: the case of Cambodia. Roundtable discussions**

Moderator: Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

Mr. Chhouk Borin, Dean, Faculty of Fisheries, Royal University of Agriculture

Mr. Sin Kang, Project Coordinator, Marine Fishery Project, UNIDO Cambodia

Mr. Mussie Delelegn, Chief, Landlocked Developing Countries' Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

Mr. Akhteruzzaman Sano, Save the Earth Cambodia

- 16:00-16:30 **Coffee/Tea Break**
- 16:30-17:00 **Continuation of the roundtable discussions**
- 17:00-17:30 **Interactive discussions and summing up**

End of segment I

Segment II. High Level Consultation (3 March 2016)

08:30-9:00 **Registration**

09:00-09:30 **Opening session**

- *Opening remarks: H.E. Kem Sithan, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Commerce, Cambodia*
- *Report of segment I: Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD and senior official from Cambodia*

09:30-10:00 **The current situation for fisheries in Cambodia**

H.E. Nao Thuk, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Agriculture, Cambodia (TBC)

10:00-10:30 **Scope, purpose and coverage of UNCTAD's manual, and mainstreaming and incorporating it in national export development strategies: proposed implementation.**

Mr. Mussie Delelegn, Chief, Landlocked Developing Countries' Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

10:30-11:00 **Interactive discussions on policy solutions to overcome Cambodia's challenges**

11:00-11:30 **Coffee break**

11:30-12:15 **Interactive reflections and planning on priority actions to advance Cambodia's fisheries sector**

12:15-12:45 **Wrap up and closing remarks**

Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

18:00 **Cocktail, Blue Sky Deck**

End of Segment II
