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2021

WTO celebrates UN resolution recognizing 7 October as World Cotton Day

The WTO welcomed the decision by the United Nations General Assembly to officially recognize 7 October as World Cotton Day, following a proposition by Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire and Mali. The resolution acknowledges the vital role cotton plays in several countries by providing livelihoods and as a subsistence crop for millions of people, as well as its broader economic and social impacts around the world.

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"The UN resolution on World Cotton Day recognizes the importance of cotton for millions of people and acknowledges the work undertaken in the WTO since the launch of the cotton initiative in 2003. It is also a recognition of the excellent cooperative spirit between all the international, regional and national stakeholders involved," said WTO Director-General Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala.

"The UN resolution should help catalyse progress in the ongoing trade negotiations and the other work of the WTO, including up to the 12th WTO Ministerial Conference at the end of the year."



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Celebrating World Cotton Day: an opportunity to recognize the global importance of cotton

Cotton is a global commodity grown in over 75 countries across five continents and traded worldwide. World Cotton Day — on 7 October — is an opportunity to highlight its role in creating jobs and maintaining economic stability in least-developed countries (LDCs). Celebrations marking the day aim to foster sustainable trade policies and to enable developing countries to benefit from every step of the cotton value chain.

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“Celebrations marking 7 October as World Cotton Day can also foster sustainable trade policies for cotton and enable least-developed countries (LDCs) to benefit more from every step along the extensive cotton value chain.”



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UN Resolution

Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 30 August 2021

Resolution



Facts and Figures

The importance of cotton across the world

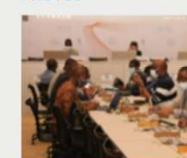


DG Okonjo-Iweala on World Cotton Day: Cotton is crucial for sustainable development

On 7 October, the WTO celebrates World Cotton Day to reaffirm cotton's vital role in the livelihoods of millions of people around the world. Director-General Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala said the cotton sector has a crucial role to play in contributing towards the achievement of sustainable development goals. A wide range of activities are taking place at the WTO and on online platforms to mark the day.



PHOTOS



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CMDT @CMDTOfficiel · Oct 10
Le PDG de la CMDT, Dr. Nango Dembélé a accompagné le Premier ministre, Dr Choguel Kokalla Maïga, lors de son déplacement à Genève en vue de prendre part les 7 et 08 octobre à la troisième édition de la #JournéeMondialeduCoton #WorldCottonDay



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AR Soil Health @ar_soilhealth · Oct 8
Happy #WorldCottonDay! 🌱🌾
#Cotton #Sustainable



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Agricultural Research Service @USDA_ARS · Oct 7
"Our work will provide a safety net against the pathogen Fusarium, which is critical to the future of the Pima and Upland cotton industries in the U.S." - Dr. Mauricio Ulloa, ARS Research Geneticist
#WorldCottonDay



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#WorldCottonDay from: wto

WTO @wto · Oct 14
Throwback to the 2021 #WorldCottonDay!
Cotton value chain is essential for economic stability and sustainable development. #WTOCotton #WTOAg



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WTO @wto · Oct 6, 2020
On the occasion of the 7th anniversary of #WorldCottonDay (7 October), WTO members send their best wishes to the cotton communities who are celebrating this special day. #WTOCotton

WTO @wto · Oct 8
This morning, DG Okonjo-Iweala @NOLweala and #Mali Prime Minister Choguel Kokalla Maïga @ChoguelKMaiga visited the exhibition at the WTO in celebration of #WorldCottonDay.

@UN resolution has recognized 7 October as World Cotton Day.

More: bit.ly/3BhzpF6



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International Trade Centre (ITC) @ITCnews · Oct 8
Today, Executive Director @CokeHamilton visited the #WorldCottonDay exhibition at the @WTO.

ITC remains fully engaged to support the "Cotton Four" countries' value chain upgrade, trade diversification and connection to international buyers.

#Benin #BurkinaFaso #Chad #Mali



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World Cotton Day Exhibition at the WTO

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WTO @wto · Oct 7
Happening now: the Prime Minister of Mali, @ChoguelKMaiga, addressing the WTO General Council on the occasion of #WorldCottonDay. 🇲🇱



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The Cotton Board @TheCottonBoard · Oct 7
Today, the world joins us to celebrate the fiber that we celebrate every day. Happy World Cotton today to all of you who grow, gin, buy, and wear the Fabric of Our Lives. #worldcottonday #cotton



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WTO-ITC webinar in celebration of World Cotton Day 2021

develop a sustainable cotton to clothing value chain in Africa

6 OCTOBER 2021

The United Nations General Assembly has adopted a resolution ([A/RES/75/318](#)) proclaiming 7 October as the International Day for Cotton, recognizing its vital importance.

As part of the celebration of World Cotton Day 2021, the Secretariats of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the International Trade Centre (ITC) are organizing a webinar to examine the status and potential of African value chains for cotton, textile, and the clothing sectors.



