









TRADE HOUSE PAVILION SESSION DETAILS

Host: WTO

Partners: European Climate Foundation (ECF)

Type: Launchpad (reports, initiatives, etc.)

Date and time: 3rd December, 2023 | 16:30 - 17:30 GST

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Session Title

(Maximum 10 words)

The Future of Trade in a Net Zero World

Themes Type:

(Please choose from the dropdown menu below)

2. Using trade for an inclusive and low carbon transition

Session Description

(Max. 150 words with session's purpose, main topics connected to the relevant theme, and expected outcomes)

As the global economy reorients towards the goal of net zero emissions by mid-century, the future of trade is uncertain. A changing climate will challenge production and distribution patterns, while decarbonizing supply chains will require substantially lowering the emissions embedded in traded goods and services.

Strategic foresight builds rigorous scenarios that help decisionmakers anticipate uncertain futures, averting worst possible outcomes while adapting to the rest. The result conceptualizes an ideal vision for trade as an important contributor to net zero goals, premised on a peaceful, resilient, and globally just transition.

This international launch of the Future of Trade in a Net Zero World will bring together global leaders from diverse sectors to discuss the Report's findings and agree on strategic options with the potential to drive taxation and finance reform, ownership of value creation in clean energy supply chains, corporate responsibility, and new trade rules underpinning climate action.

Read the report at www.netzerotrade.org.

Speakers and Moderator

(Maximum 5 as recommended)

<u>Setting the scene (16:30 – 16:40)</u>, Introduction of the Strategic Foresight on the Future of Trade & findings Speaker: Richard Baron, Director ECF Trade Program & 2050 Pathways Platform

Panel Discussion (16:40 - 17:25), Panelists' Reactions and Q&A

Moderator: Carolyn Deere Birkbeck, Founder and Executive Director of the Forum on Trade, Environment & the SDGs (TESS)

Discussants:

- Jean-Marie Paugam, Deputy Director-General at the WTO
- Professor Laurence Tubiana, Chief Executive Officer of the European Climate Foundation
- Professor Benedict Okey Oramah, President & Chairman of AfrExImBank
- Kimberley Botwright, Head of Sustainable Trade at the WEF
- Dora Correia, Director of Trade and Sustainable Development and Green Deal at the European Commission

Conclusions (17:25 – 17:30), Closing remarks

Speaker: Richard Baron, Director ECF Trade Program & 2050 Pathways Platform