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Partners: ICC, ITC, UNCTAD and WTO with Coalition of Trade Ministers on Climate

Type: Leaders conversation

Date and time: 4 December, 15:00 – 16:00 hrs

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> Session Title (Maximum 10 words)

Shaping Ministerial Leadership and Collective Action for Trade and Climate Change

Themes Type:

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1. Making trade policy work for people and the planet

Session Description

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

The unprecedented scale of the climate crisis requires all sectors, all constituencies and all of us to act. Trade Day during COP28 puts a focus on accelerating climate action through trade, using coordinated and inclusive approaches to ensure a just transition to a low-carbon economy. This high-level event, jointly organized by the WTO, UNCTAD and ITC, will engage the Coalition of Trade Ministers for Climate, other Ministers and Heads of Agencies on fostering inclusive international cooperation and collective action to promote a positive trade contribution to the climate agenda.

The event will highlight the importance of Ministerial leadership for inclusive international cooperation on trade, climate and sustainable development. The Coalition and participating Ministers will be invited to share their views and priorities for trade and investment to foster the diffusion, development, accessibility and uptake of goods, services and technologies that support climate mitigation and adaptation, as well as trade-related strategies supportive of developing and least developed countries in the climate transiton.

Heads of Agencies will share their views on how their organizations are supporting trade-related cooperation for climate action as well as the concrete trade tools that they are bringing to COP28 to foster climate action, transitions, and climate-resilient development on the ground.

In particular the discussion will focus interalia on :

- state of play and prospects of international trade initiatives aiming at supporting the achievements of global climate objectives;
- identification of specific trade tools and policies that can be mobilised in support of climate objectives;
- role of international organizations in supporting cooperation and coherence for a just transition; and
- capacity building to support MSMEs, developing and least-developed economies to respond and integrate into green supply chains

Speakers and Moderator (Maximum 5 as recommended)

Moderator: Ms. Monica Araya, Executive Director for International Affairs at the European Climate Foundation

Ministerial Coalition/Ministerial perspectives:

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Minister/s representing the Coalition of Trade Ministers on Climate on the topic "Leading by example: A concrete contribution of trade policy for climate"

- Hon. Minister Rebecca Miano, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry of Kenya
- H.E. Mr Germán Umaña Mendoza, Minister of Commerce, Industry and Tourism of Colombia
- Hon. Rohey John Manjang, Minister of Environment, Climate Change and Natural Resources, The Gambia
- H.E. Mr Rubén Ramirez Lezcano, Minister of Trade and Industry, Paraguay (tbc)
- H.E. Mr José Valencia, Ambassador of Ecuador to the WTO
- Ms Dora Correia, Deputy Director-General, DG Trade, European Commission

Sharing perspectives and views from trade related international organisations

- Dr. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Director General, WTO
- Rebeca Grynspan, Secretary General, UNCTAD
- Pamela Coke-Hamilton, Executive Director, ITC
- John Denton, Secretary General, ICC
- Concluding remarks: Mr. Selwin Hart, Special Advisor to the Secretary General on Climate Action

