

TRADE HOUSE PAVILION SESSION DETAILS

Host: WTO
Partners: Silverado Policy Accelerator, Resources for Future, Climate Action Platform Africa
Type: Stakeholders' dialogue
Date and time: 6 December, 12:00-13:00 (GMT+4)
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SESSION TITLE (Maximum 10 words)
Border Carbon Fees: Trade, Economic Development, and Global Emissions
THEMES TYPE: (Please choose from the dropdown menu below)
5. Trade and emissions standards, pricing and supply chains
SESSION DESCRIPTION (MAX. 150 WORDS WITH SESSION'S PURPOSE, MAIN TOPICS CONNECTED TO THE RELEVANT THEME, AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES)
Driven by national climate goals to decarbonize the industrial sector, nations face a new reality where border carbon measures (BCMs) and similar national GHG border fees on imported goods are an evolving feature of global climate policy. The European Union Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism is in effect, and legislative discussions in Chinese Taipei, India, the United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, Brazil, and the United States are enriching these policy discussions. These policy discussions explore various GHG border fee design elements regarding: included products and gases; approaches to carbon/GHG accounting; treatment of developing countries; international alliances or clubs; pricing or fee assignment metrics; self-reporting vs. government emissions data; WTO alignment; and other elements. These policies could have spillover impacts on global trade, the welfare of developing countries, and global emissions. This session will explore these elements across the current BCA and border fee discussions and evaluate the likely implications of policy design decisions.
SPEAKERS AND MODERATOR (MAXIMUM 5 AS RECOMMENDED)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank Jotzo, Lead on Australian Carbon Leakage Review • Pedro Rochedo, Khalifa University and Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil • James Mwangi, Founder of the Climate Action Platform for Africa (CAP - A) • Jos Delbeke, European Commission, DG Climate Action (2010-2018), EU • Lauren Stowe, Silverado Policy Accelerator, USA • Moderator - Milan Elkerbout, Resources for the Future
**Opening remarks by Aik Hoe Lim, Director, Trade and Environment Division, WTO