

## TRADE HOUSE PAVILION SESSION DETAILS

<b>Host:</b> WTO
<b>Partners:</b> Europe Jacques Delors; Barbados (Office of the Prime Minister); TradeMark Africa
<b>Type:</b> Stakeholders' dialogue
<b>Date and time:</b> 8 December, 13:30 - 14:30h
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### Session Title

(Maximum 10 words)

**The Trade, Climate, and Development Triangle: A call to action**

### Themes Type:

(Please choose from the dropdown menu below)

**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)

As countries worldwide adopt different approaches to greening trade, this panel explores the implications of these trends for development and strategies to empower developing countries with the necessary tools and skills to thrive in a changing global landscape. Zooming in on the trade-climate-development nexus, panelists will identify opportunities and challenges in the green trade agenda, highlighting the roles of governments, policy-makers, and civil society in shaping a more inclusive and climate-resilient global trading landscape.

This panel will focus on global fragmentation in approaches and its implications for developing countries, examining multilateral solutions through institutions like the WTO and how to leverage existing trade instruments to address emerging trade barriers. When exploring areas that warrant new approaches, panelist will debate the importance of empowering youth-driven entrepreneurship and boosting capacity-building efforts. In doing so, this session aims to identify development-friendly multilateral approaches to greening trade from long-term opportunities to “low-hanging fruits”.

### Speakers and Moderator

(Maximum 5 as recommended)

- **Pascal Lamy (Moderator)** – Vice-President at Europe Jacques Delors; Former WTO Director-General
- **Geneviève Pons** – Vice-President & Director-General, Europe Jacques Delors
- **Avinash Persaud** - Special Envoy to Barbados Prime Minister Mia Mottley
- **Allen Sophia Asiimwe** – Deputy CEO & Chief of Programmes, TradeMark Africa
- **Kurt Vandenberghe** - Director-General DG CLIMA, European Commission