









TRADE HOUSE PAVILION SESSION DETAILS

Host: UNCTAD

Partners: FAO, IMO, UNWTO, OECS and IOI

Type: Stakeholders' dialogue

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Session Title

(Maximum 10 words)

Decarbonizing ocean-based sectors through trade, investment, and technology policies

Themes Type:

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7. Trade, oceans, and skies

Session Description

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

The ocean economy offers a new economic frontier for coastal and island States, provided natural resource use and growth is managed in an economic, social, and environmentally sustainable manner. Some ocean economic sectors are energy and fossil fuel intensive and can significantly contribute to global emissions. This is the case of fisheries, shipping, and cruise tourism.

Mitigation and adaptation policies for ocean-based sectors are defined on sectoral basis, particularly for the shipping sector under the IMO GHG emission reduction strategy (2023), or on national basis through the NDCs. They can also be defined by private sector actors on voluntary basis under their Environmental Social and Governance (ESG) strategies or commitment to net zero. For fisheries and cruise tourism sectors, no international or even regional emission reduction targets have been committed to.

The objective of this session is to identify main strategies for decarbonization in place, identify relevant multilateral and regional policy, regulatory and data gaps and identify most promising technologies, sectoral, trade and investment incentives that could speed up a renewable energy transition, particularly in developing countries.

Speakers and Moderator (Maximum 5 as recommended)











Moderator: Mr. Jan Hoffmann, Head of Trade Logistics Branch

• Setting the scene: Ms. Chantal Line Carpentier, UNCTAD, Head Trade, Environment, Climate Change and Sustainable Development, UNCTAD

Panellists:

- Ms. Zoritsa Urosevic, UNWTO Executive Director
- Mr. Didacus Jules, Director General, OECS

Discussants:

- Mr. Kim Friedman, Senior Fisheries Resources Officer, FAO
- Mr. Roel Hoenders, Head, Air Pollution and Energy Efficiency, IMO
- Mr. Bud Darr, Executive Vice President, Maritime Policy and Government Affairs, MSC
- · Ms. Valeria Ramundo Orlando, partner, and co-founder at Greensquare Ventures
- Mr. Cosmin Chivu, Project Officer, International Oceans Institute