

TRADE HOUSE PAVILION SESSION DETAILS

Host: WTO
Partners: Standards and Trade Development Facility
Type: Stakeholders' dialogue
Date and time: Sunday 10 December, 16.30-17.30 GMT+4
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Session Title (Maximum 10 words)
Trading safely: Why stronger SPS systems matter for climate change resilience?
Themes Type: (Please choose from the dropdown menu below)
6. Trade for sustainable agri-food systems and markets
Session Description (Max. 150 words with session's purpose, main topics connected to the relevant theme, and expected outcomes)
<p>Facilitating safe trade to regional and international markets offers a pathway for farmers, small businesses and governments in developing countries to transform agricultural development, deepen regional integration and promote sustainable economic growth, poverty reduction and food security. But climate change is creating new and increased sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) risks for agri-food trade, as recognized by WTO Members in the 12th Ministerial Conference SPS Declaration.</p> <p>Against this backdrop, this dialogue will ask: How does investing in SPS capacity support more sustainable agri-food systems and markets that protect biodiversity and the environment, and are more resilient to climate change? Why is collaboration key? What are the innovations and lessons from STDF's safe trade partnership?</p> <p>The event will build on STDF work on climate change and SPS systems. The discussions will inform an ongoing STDF learning assessment to improve mainstreaming of the environment, biodiversity and climate change in SPS capacity development.</p>
Speakers and Moderator (Maximum 5 as recommended)
<p>Moderator: Marlynn Hopper, Deputy Head, STDF Speaker 1: David Laborde, Director of the Agrifood Economics Division (ESA), FAO Speaker 2: Martien van Nieuwkoop, Global Director, Agriculture and Food Global Practice, World Bank Group Speaker 3: Jeremy Adamson, Senior Policy Advisor, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, United States Speaker 4: Dr Dinesh Prasad Parajuli, CEO, Agro-Enterprise Centre, Federation of Nepalese Chambers of Commerce and Industry (AEC/FNCCI), Nepal</p>