

First meeting of the working group on formation of an integrated market in Asia and the Pacific

10-11 December 2014

Meeting room XXX, UNCC, Bangkok, Thailand

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 10 December 2014

09.00 – 09.30	<i>Welcome remarks</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ravi Ratnayake, Director, Trade and Investment Division, ESCAP <i>Opening</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shamshad Akhtar, Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of ESCAP (TBC)
09.30 – 09.45	<i>Explanations of the deliverables expected from the Working group</i> <i>Election of the Chair of the working group</i> <i>Election of the Rapporteur of the working group</i>
09.45 – 10.45	<i>Introduction of the issue related to the formation of an integrated market in Asia and the Pacific</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saman Kelegama, Executive Director, Institute of Policy Studies, Sri Lanka Florian Alburo, Professor, University of the Philippines and President, Center for the Advancement of Trade Integration and Facilitation, Philippines
10.45 – 11.00	<i>Coffee</i>
11.00 - 12:00	<i>Deliberation on the key issues of market integration in Asia and the Pacific: trade and investment liberalization and trade facilitation</i>
12:00-13:15	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:15-15:15	<i>Deliberation on the key issues of market integration in Asia and the Pacific: trade and investment liberalization and trade facilitation</i>
15.15 – 15.30	<i>Coffee</i>
15:30 – 17:00	<i>Deliberation on the key issues of market integration in Asia and the Pacific: issues related to flaws of labour and migrants' protection</i>

Thursday, 11 December 2014

09:00 – 10:30	<i>Deliberation on the key issues of market integration in Asia and the Pacific: issues related to flaws of labour and migrants' protection</i>
10.30 – 10.45	<i>Coffee</i>
10:45-12:00	<i>Deliberation on the key issues of market integration in Asia and the Pacific: intraregional tourism and availability of air services</i>
12:00-13:15	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:15-15:00	<i>Deliberation on the structure and focus of the working group report</i>
15.00 – 15.15	<i>Coffee</i>
15:15 – 16:45	<i>Deliberation on the organisation of the work of the working group</i>
16:45 – 17:00	<i>Closing</i>