

## **Expert Group Meeting on Trade Policies for Sustainable Development**

**3 and 4 November 2015**

**Venue: Meeting Room H, UNCC, Bangkok**

### **TENTATIVE PROGRAMME**

<b>3 November 2015</b>	
08:30-09:00	Registration
09:00-09:15	Opening remarks (ESCAP)
09:15-10:15	<p>Launch and presentation of the report “LDCs in the WTO: Challenges of Implementing the Bali Package”</p> <p>Moderator: Swarnim Wagle, National Planning Commission, Nepal</p> <p>Introduction: Debapriya Bhattacharya, CPD and LDC IV Monitor</p> <p>Discussants: Pan Sorasak, Ministry of Commerce, Cambodia; Taufiqur Rahman, WTO; Feagaimaleata Tafunai, Ministry of Finance, Samoa</p>
10:15-10:30	Coffee break
10:30-12:00	<p>Trade for Post-2015 sustainable development: Are we getting it right?</p> <p>Moderator: Susan Stone, ESCAP</p> <p>Panel:</p> <p>Debapriya Bhattacharya, CPD and Southern Voice on Post-2015</p> <p>Raed Safadi, Dubai Dep’t of Economic Development, UAE</p> <p>Ben Shepherd, Developing-Trade</p> <p>Julian Clarke, World Bank</p> <p>Discussants: Myo Thant, AEC Group;</p>
12:00-13:30	Lunch break
13:30-15:00	<p>Financing trade and trade facilitation: Beyond Aid for Trade</p> <p>Moderator: Jean-Bertrand Azapmo, MTEC</p> <p>Panel:</p> <p>Jayant Menon, ADB</p> <p>Gloria Pasadilla, Policy Support Unit, APEC Secretariat</p> <p>Prabir De, RIS</p> <p>Sven Callebaut, Ministry of Commerce, Cambodia</p>

	Discussants: Ben Shepherd, Developing-Trade Consultants; Shunli Yao, IAIT China
15:00-15:15	Coffee break
15:15-16:45	<p>Building a global trading system fit for SDGs: Nairobi and beyond</p> <p>Moderator: Mia Mikic, ESCAP</p> <p>Panel:</p> <p>Patrick Low, Asia Global Institute, University of Hong Kong</p> <p>Tekreth Kamrang, Cambodia</p> <p>Taufiqur Rahman, WTO</p> <p>Discussants: Anushka Wijesinha, Ceylon Chamber of commerce; Aekapol Chongvilaivan, ADB; Ramonetta Serafica, PIDS</p>
<b>4 November 2015</b>	
09:00-12:00	<p>EGM participants will attend the fourth session of the Committee on Trade and Investment (CR 3)- Panel</p> <p>Moderator: Shamshad Akhtar, Executive Secretary, ESCAP</p> <p>Special keynote address: Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>H.E. Tofail Ahmed, M.P., Minister for Commerce, Government of Bangladesh (<i>TBC</i>)</p> <p>Hon. Sujeewa Senasinghe, State Minister of International Trade, Ministry of Development Strategies and International Trade, Government of Sri Lanka</p> <p>Mr. Raed Safadi, Dubai Department of Economic Development, UAE</p> <p>Mr. Patrick Low, Asia Global Institute, University of Hong Kong</p> <p>Mr. Stanley Kang, Chairman Joint Foreign Chambers of Commerce, Thailand</p>
12:00-13:30	Lunch break

13:30-15:00	<p>Better trade and investment statistics for better policies</p> <p>Moderator: Saman Kelegama, IPS</p> <p>Panel:</p> <p>Mondher Mimouni, ITC</p> <p>Jari Kauppila, OECD</p> <p>Shunli Yao, IAIT, China</p> <p>(TBA)</p> <p>Discussants: Vutha Hing, CDRI, Cambodia; Marko Javorsek, ESCAP; Shailja Singh, IIFT</p>
15:00-15:15	Coffee break
15:15-16:45	<p>Trade data and SDG targets and indicators: Issues and options</p> <p>Moderator: Mondher Mimouni, ITC</p> <p>Panel:</p> <p>Dipankar Sinha, Ministry of Commerce, India</p> <p>Jari Kauppila, OECD</p> <p>Marko Javorsek, ESCAP</p> <p>Discussants: Debapriya Bhattacharya, CPD and LDC IV Monitor; Biswajit Nag, IIFT; Chia Wai Yin Audrey, NUS</p>
16:45	Closing (ESCAP)