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Programme of meetings

No. 5, Wednesday, 23 April 2008

9:00	Meeting of the Group of 77 and China – coordinators and facilitators, heads of delegation only	President's office, Plenary Hall (tent)
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9:00–10:00	Meeting of the Group of 77 and China	Committee Hall 1
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10:00–13:00	Interactive thematic round table 3 <i>The changing face of commodities in the twenty-first century</i> (TD/428 and Corr.1) <i>Sub-theme 2: Key trade and development issues and the new realities in the geography of the world economy</i> <i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Ransford Smith, Deputy Secretary-General of the Commonwealth <i>Panellists:</i> H.E. Mr. Joaquim David, Minister of Industry, Angola H.E. Ms. Esther Obeng Dapaah, Minister of Lands, Forestry and Mines, Ghana H.E. Mr. Sid' Ahmed Ould Raiss, Ministre du Commerce et de l'Industrie, Mauritania H.E. Mr. Nelson Gaggawala, Minister of State for Trade, Uganda H.E. Mr. Alfredo Chiaradia, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs and Director of International Economic Relations, Argentina H.E. Mr. Gamini Lakshman Peiris, Minister of Export Development and International Trade, Sri Lanka Mr. Carlos Márcio Cozendey, Director of the Economic Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Brazil Mr. John Clarke, Deputy Head Delegation, European Commission <i>Discussants:</i> Mr. Ahmeed Bin Hassan Al Dheeb, Under-Secretary for Commerce and Industry, Oman	Plenary Hall (tent)

H.E. Mr. Choukri Mamoghli, Secrétaire d'Etat Chargé du Commerce, Tunisia

H.E. Mr. Guy-Alain Emmanuel Gauze, Permanent Representative of Côte d'Ivoire to the United Nations

Mr. Hamid Rashid, Director General, Multilateral Economic Affairs Wing, Bangladesh

Mr. Hans-Peter Egler, Head of the Division of Trade Promotion and Direction of Cooperation and Economic Development, the State Secretary for Economic Affairs

Mr. Abdoulie Janneh, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa

Mr. Panos Konandreas, Acting Director, Geneva Office, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Ali Mchumo, Managing Director, Common Fund for Commodities

Mr. Aftab Alam Khan, Action Aid International, on behalf of the Civil Society Forum

10:00–13:00	General debate (<i>continued</i>) (TD/413) The general debate includes speakers from the Netherlands, Jamaica, Qatar, Kyrgyzstan, Namibia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Paraguay, Lesotho, Sudan, Peru, Slovakia, Canada, Senegal, Chile, Barbados, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), South Centre, Djibouti (on behalf of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of Countries) and Malawi	Main Hall
10:00–13:00	Committee of the Whole (<i>private</i>) (TD/L.398 and Add.1)	Committee Hall 1
13:00–14:00	Lunchtime event <i>COMPAL: what type of deliverables on competition law and policy?</i> Organized by UNCTAD, with the financial support of the Swiss Secretariat for Economic Affairs	WIF 2
13:00–15:00	Aid for Trade: regional perspectives A side event of the United Nations regional commissions <i>Welcoming remarks and presentation:</i> Mr. Abdoulie Janneh, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa, Current Coordinator of the Regional Commissions <i>Opening remarks:</i> Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-	WIF 1

General of UNCTAD

Presenters:

Mr. Bader Al Dafa, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for West Africa

Mr. Marek Belka, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Mr. Zengpei Xuan, Director, Trade and Investment Division, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Mr. Osvaldo Rosales, Director, International Trade and Integration Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

13:30–14:30	Meeting of the LDC Group	Committee Hall 2
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14:00–15:00	Lunchtime event <i>Making trade work for sustainable use of biodiversity</i> Organized by UNCTAD's BioTrade Initiative, with financial support of the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs	WIF 3
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15:00–16:00	Meeting of the Credentials Committee	Meeting Room 2
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15:00–18:00	Interactive thematic round table 4 <i>Emergence of a new South and South–South trade as a vehicle for regional and interregional integration for development</i> (TD/425) <i>Sub-theme 2: Key trade and development issues and the new realities in the geography of the world economy</i> <i>Moderator:</i> H.E. Mr. Christopher Sinckler, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and International Business, Barbados <i>Panellists:</i> H.E. Mr. Clodoaldo Huguency, Head of the Permanent Mission of Brazil in Geneva H.E. Mr. Ramzy Ezzeldin Ramzy, Deputy Foreign Minister for Economic Affairs, Egypt H.E. Mr. Gopal K. Pillai, Commerce Secretary, India	Plenary Hall (tent)

H.E. Mohammed Ibn Chambas, President, Economic Community of West African States

H.E. Mr. Robert Davies, Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, South Africa

H.E. Mr. Gamini Lakshman Peiris, Minister of Export Development and International Trade, Sri Lanka

Discussants:

H.E. Mr. Noppadon Pattama, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Thailand

H.E. Mr. Keitaro Sato, Ambassador in Charge of Africa, Fourth Tokyo International Conference on African Development

H.E. Mr. Ahmed Bin Hassan Al Dheeb, Under-Secretary for Commerce and Industry, Oman

H.E. Mr. Gabriel Kapris, Minister of Commerce and Industry, Papua New Guinea

H.E. Mr. Marcin Korolec, Undersecretary of State at the Ministry of Economy, Poland

H.E. Mr. Zainul Abidin Rasheed, Senior Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Singapore

Mr. Osvaldo Rosales, Director, International Trade Division, Economic Commission for Latin American and the Caribbean (on behalf of all United Nations regional commissions)

Ms. Patricia R. Francis, Executive Director, International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO

15:00–18:00	General debate (<i>continued</i>)	Main Hall
	The general debate includes speakers from the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Suriname, Belarus, Israel, Ethiopia, Uruguay, Greece, Ecuador, Jordan, the European Commission, El Salvador, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Tunisia, the European Parliament and Rwanda.	
15:00–18:00	Committee of the Whole (<i>continued</i>)	Committee Hall 1
20:00	Meeting of the Cocoa Producing Countries (<i>by invitation only</i>)	WIF 2

20:00–24:00	Creative Africa concert Opening by the Secretary-General of UNCTAD, Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi <i>Featuring:</i> Amandzeba, Ambolley, Obrafour, Samini Brazilian Samba, Mustapha Tetteh Addy, Prof Attukwei Okai and Mega Star Band A limited number of tickets will be made available to heads of delegations in their pigeonholes. All other participants can request invitations at the information desk. Shuttles will be provided from the Conference Centre to the National Theatre and, after the show, to hotels.	National Theatre
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Forthcoming meetings
Thursday, 24 April 2008

9:00–10:00	Meeting of the Group of 77 and China	Committee Hall 1
9:30	Bureau meeting	Meeting Room 3
10:00–13:00	Interactive thematic round table 5 <i>Harnessing knowledge and technology for development</i> (TD/421) <i>Sub-theme 3:</i> Enhancing the enabling environment at all levels to strengthen productive capacity, trade and investment: mobilizing resources and harnessing knowledge for development <i>Opening remarks:</i> Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD <i>Keynote address:</i> Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn of Thailand <i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Art Reilly, Senior Director, Cisco Systems <i>Panellists:</i> H.E. Mr. Benjamin Aggrey Ntim, Minister of Communications, Ghana H.E. Mr. Frank Heemskerk, Minister for Foreign Trade, the Netherlands H.E. Fadillah Yusof, Deputy Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, Malaysia Mr. Gordon Graylish, Vice-President of Intel Europe, Middle East and Africa	Plenary Hall (tent)

Mr. Michael Rawding, Vice-President, Unlimited Potential Group, Microsoft Corporation

Discussants:

Mr. George S. Dragnich, Director, Office of Economic and Development Affairs Bureau of International Organization Affairs, United States Department of State

Mr. Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz, Chief Executive, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development

Ms. Margaret Blamberg, Chair, New York Non-governmental Organization Committee on Financing for Development

10:00–13:00	General debate (<i>continued</i>)	Main Hall
10:00–13:00	Committee of the Whole (<i>continued</i>)	Committee Hall 1
13:00–15:00	Lunchtime event <i>Potential and prospects for trade and investment between developing countries and transition economies</i>	WIF 1
13:00–15:00	Lunchtime event UNCTAD Empretec Africa Forum Luncheon (<i>by invitation only</i>) Jointly organized by the Government of the Netherlands and UNCTAD	
15:00–16:00	Presentation by the European Commission on the European Union export helpdesk for developing countries	
15:00–17:00	Interactive thematic round table 6 <i>Debt management solutions supporting trade and development</i> (TD/424) <i>Sub-theme 1: Enhancing coherence at all levels for sustainable economic development and poverty reduction in global</i>	Plenary Hall (tent)

Moderator: Mr. Ellias E. Ngalande, Executive Director,

Macroeconomic and Financial Management Institute of
Eastern and Southern Africa (MEFMI), Zimbabwe

Panellists:

H.E. Mr. Charles Soludo, Governor, Central Bank of
Nigeria

H.E. Mr. Hakon Gulbrandsen, Secretary of State for
Development, Deputy Minister, Norway

Mr. Sinan Al-Shabibi, Governor, Central Bank of Iraq

Mr. Jürgen Zattler, Deputy Director-General, Multilateral
and European Development Policy, Trade; Ministry for
Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany
(invitation sent, confirmation expected)

15:00–18:00	General debate (<i>continued</i>)	Main Hall
15:00–18:00	Committee of the Whole (<i>continued</i>)	Committee Hall 1
17:00–19:00	Interactive thematic round table 7 <i>Developing productive capacities in least developed countries</i> (TD/420) <i>Sub-theme 3: Enhancing the enabling environment at all levels to strengthen productive capacity, trade and investment: mobilizing resources and harnessing knowledge for development</i> <i>Moderator:</i> H.E. Mr. Debapriya Bhattacharya, Ambassador of Bangladesh to the United Nations in Geneva and to the World Trade Organization <i>Panellists:</i> Mr. Kandeh Yumkella, Director-General, United Nations Industrial Development Organization Mr. Sid' Ahmed Ould Raiss, Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mauritania Mr. William Kalema, Director, Uganda Manufacturers Association Consultancy and Information Services (UMACIS), Uganda Mr. Richard Newfarmer, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations in Geneva and to the World Trade Organization Mr. John Clarke, Deputy Head, Permanent Delegation of the European Commission to the International Organizations in Geneva Ms. Anna Kajumulo Tibaijuka, Under-Secretary-General	Plenary Hall (tent)

and Executive Director, United Nations Human Settlement Programme

Discussants:

Mr. Abdoulie Janneh, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa

Mr. Simone Cipriani, Senior International Market Development Advisor, International Trade Centre (ITC/UNCTAD/WTO)

Ms. Joy Kategwa, Oxfam International, on behalf of the Civil Society Forum

Creative Africa

20:00–24:00 Fashion show, dance and film

**National
Theatre**

Designer: Anggy Haif

Dance: National Troup of Nigeria

Film: White water (Nigeria, directed by Izu Ojukwu)

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