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## **IMPLEMENTING THE PARIS AGREEMENT: UN AGENCIES' DIALOGUE ON IMPACTS OF MITIGATION MEASURES AND LINKAGES WITH TRADE**

UNFCCC side-event in cooperation with  
UNCTAD, ITC, WTO, IFAD  
13:15—14:45, Saturday, 12 November 2016  
Room Pacific

Paris agreement paves a way for moving global economy towards a low-carbon transition. In such transformative process, self-determined and increasingly ambitious mitigation actions will have vast impacts on global economy, both positive and negative.

Although Paris Agreement itself does not include any trade-related provisions, trade does play a role when looking at the impact of implementation of mitigation actions. For example, subsidies for low-carbon technology may affect competitiveness, alter demand and supply, and ultimately impact trade. Trade also brings opportunities for and synergies with economic transformation as enhanced mitigation ambition by Parties will call for commensurate actions to promote economic diversification and to address the impacts on work force in all countries, especially the developing ones.

A good understanding of the impacts of mitigation measures, including its interaction with trade, will be crucial to ensure that climate action contributes to, rather than undermines, sustainable development and economic transformation.

The event is meant to provide a unique opportunity for related UN agencies to take a positive look on the role of international trade in helping all countries understand, consider and address the impact of implementation of mitigation actions.

### **Provisional Agenda**

**13:15-14:00**

#### **Moderated panel discussion**

##### Panellists

- William Agyemang-Bonsu, UNFCCC
- Lucas Assuncao or Bonapas Onguglo, UNCTAD
- Anders Aeroe, ITC
- Aik Hoe Lim, WTO
- Margarita Astralaga, IFAD
- Tomasz Chruszczow, SBI Chair

**14:00 - 14:30**

#### **Q&A and discussion**

- Representatives from interested Parties
- Representatives from other international organizations

**14:35-14:45**

#### **Concluding remarks by the moderator**