

## **GLOBAL FORUM ON TRADE**

### **THE MARKET ACCESS CHALLENGE IN THE DOHA DEVELOPMENT AGENDA**

#### **PROGRAMME**

**5-6 JUNE 2003**

**OECD, PARIS, FRANCE**

## NOTE FOR THE MEETING

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#### ***Structure of the event:***

This Global Forum does not seek to cover all issues raised in the DDA but will rather be restricted to generic issues in the area of market access, with an opportunity to focus on selected examples of sectors or issues. The meeting will comprise four sessions: an introductory session; two main sessions organised according to type of barrier (non-tariff barriers -- including regulatory barriers and trade facilitation -- and tariffs); and a concluding session. Each of the two main sessions will be divided into a first plenary meeting addressing what is at stake: the opportunities and concerns in this area, including benefits and possible costs of liberalisation; followed by parallel break-out groups allowing a more focused discussion of how to prepare for liberalisation in selected sectors or issues. This structure will allow coverage of a wide range of particular issues, including those arising especially in important sectors and of interest for developing countries.

#### ***Format of the discussions:***

Following the welcome and opening remarks, the first session will explore thematically and through case examination how different types of non-tariff measures may create market-access difficulties, and the negotiating or rulemaking options for addressing them in the context of the DDA or other ongoing work of the WTO. Two break-out sessions will address the specific challenges of services liberalization and trade facilitation. The second session will explore some of the key issues that policymakers face as they pursue a further reduction or the elimination of tariffs. Agriculture, textiles and clothing and environmental goods will be discussed in more detail in three break-out sessions.

Each session (the plenary meetings as well as the subsequent breakout groups) will be launched by a ten-minute presentation from a lead speaker, followed by two discussants who will provide contrasting perspectives. The parallel break-out groups will report back to the plenary through their chairman, followed by an open discussion.

#### ***Participation:***

Participants will be high-level officials from OECD and selected non-OECD countries in charge of trade policy or managing the trade aspect in other policy fields. Experts from other international organisations, the private sector, trade unions, and other non-governmental organisations will also be invited.

#### ***Proceedings:***

The OECD Secretariat will release a CD-ROM with the proceedings of the meeting, along with the papers presented and background documentation.

#### ***Agenda, documentation and further information:***

The agenda, documents and other information about the meeting is available on the website <http://webdomino1.oecd.org/comnet/ech/marketaccess.nsf>  
Userword: market access Password: liberalisation.

## PROGRAMME

**THURSDAY 5 JUNE 2003**

08:45 – 9:30 Registration

9:30 – 10:00

### **Session I: Introduction**

Chair: **Ambassador Luzius Wasescha**, Chairman of OECD Trade Committee

Speaker: **Donald Johnston**, Secretary-General of OECD

10:00 – 11:30

### **Session II: Non-tariff barriers for Goods and Services**

Chair: **Gerardo Traslosheros**, Director-General, Multilateral and Regional Trade Negotiations, Ministry of the Economy, Mexico

#### **A. *What's at stake? Quantitative and analytical assessment of future liberalisation and disciplines for NTBs, including procedural and regulatory trade barriers.***

Lead speaker: “*The Quantification and Impact of NTMs*”  
**Bijit Bora**, Councillor, Division of Development and Economic Research, WTO

Discussants: **Hassan Abouyoub**, Ambassador of Morocco to France  
**Dan Ciuriak**, Senior Economic Advisor, Trade and Economic Policy and Trade Litigation, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Canada

11:45 – 13:00 and 15:00 – 16:30

#### **B. *Preparing for liberalisation and reform in specific areas:***

Parallel break-out groups:

##### **Group 1: *The case of services***

Chair: **Anders Ahnlid**, Deputy Director General, Department of International Trade, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sweden

Lead speaker: “*Services in a Development Round*”  
**Aaditya Mattoo**, Lead Economist, Development Research Group, The World Bank

Discussants: **Alejandro Jara**, Ambassador of Chile to the WTO

**Crawford Falconer**, Principal Trade Policy Adviser, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, New Zealand

**Group 2: The case of trade facilitation: Challenges and means for overcoming procedural and regulatory trade barriers**

Chair: **Ambassador Milan Hovorka**, Chairman of WTO Council on Trade in Goods

Lead speaker: “*Trade Facilitation: win-win for everyone?*”

**Peter Wilmott**, President, Office de développement par l'Automatisation et la Simplification du Commerce extérieur (ODASCE), Paris

Discussants: **Syed Habib Amhmed**, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the WTO

**James B. Clawson**, Chief Executive Officer of JBC International & Chairman of the Industry Functional Advisory Committee on Customs, USA

13:00 – 15:00 *Lunch break*

16:30 – 17:00 *Coffee break*

17:00 – 18:00 **Reports of Groups 1 and 2, followed by plenary discussion**

18:15 *Reception at premises*

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9:00 – 10:30

**Session III: Liberalisation of Tariff Barriers**

Chair: **Ambassador P.-L. Girard**, Chairman of WTO Negotiating Group on Market Access

**A. What's at stake? Quantitative and analytical assessment of tariff liberalization**

Lead speaker: “*An LDC view on liberalization of tariffs and trade barriers*”

**Prof. Patricio Meller**, University of Chile

Discussants: **G.S. Shin**, Deputy Director-General of the Multilateral Trade Bureau of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Korea

10:45 – 12:30 and 14:00 – 15:00

**B. Preparing for liberalisation and reform in specific areas:**

Parallel break-out groups:

**Group 1: Agriculture**

Chair: **Dr. Magdi Ahmed Farahat**, Chairman of WTO Committee on Agriculture

Speakers: **Roberto Rodrigues**, Minister of Agriculture, Brazil

*“Governance Reform in Agriculture Trade: Market Access and Developing Countries”*

**Dr. H. S. Dillon**, Executive Director, Partnership for Governance Reform, Indonesia

**João Pacheco**, Head of Unit, Directorate General for Agriculture, European Commission

**Group 2: The case of textiles and clothing**

Chair: **Carmen L. Guarda**, Director of Market Access Division, WTO

Lead speaker: *“Multilateral trade negotiation in the textile/clothing sector: A review of the Uruguay Round and the outlook on the eve of the new Round”*

**Antoine Bouët**, Professor of Economics at the Université de Pau et des Pays de l’Adour and Scientific Advisor at C.E.P.I.I., France

Discussants: Ambassador **Farooq Sobhan**, President of Bangladesh Enterprise Institute, Bangladesh

**Husnu Dilemre**, Deputy Director General, Under-Secretariat of Foreign Trade, Turkey

**Group 3: Environmental goods**

Chair: **Ambassador Yolande Biké**, Chair of Special Session of the WTO Committee on Trade and Environment

Lead speaker: *“Environmental markets and world trade: A chance for partnership?”*, **Scott Vaughan**, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, USA

Discussants: **Alexey Vikhlyaev**, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services and Commodities, UNCTAD

**Tuula Kulovesi**, Deputy Head of Unit, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Finland

12:30 – 14:00 *Buffet lunch at premises*

15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee break*

15:30 – 16:30 **Reports of Groups 1, 2 and 3, followed by plenary discussion**

16:30 – 17:30

**Session IV: Conclusions**

Chair: **Ambassador Luzius Wasescha**, Chairman of OECD Trade Committee

***What are priorities for achieving a high level of liberalization on market access?  
What can Cancun do to ensure a strong outcome on market access?***

Panel discussion:

- **Roberto Rodrigues**, Minister of Agriculture, Brazil
- **Hervé Jouanjean**, Director, WTO and OECD Coordination, Directorate General for Trade, European Commission
- **Yoichi Suzuki**, Deputy Director-General, Economic Affairs Bureau, MOFA, Japan
- **Matt Rohde**, Deputy Assistant USTR for WTO and Multilateral Affairs, USA
- **Dr. Reinhard Quick**, Director, Brussels Office, Verband der Chemischen Industrie e.V.
- **Cunningham Ngcukana**, General Secretary, National Council of Trade Unions, South Africa