

**‘Mainstreaming Development in Trade’ – A Longer-term
Approach to Developing Sustained Capacity
28-29 September, Arusha, Tanzania**

DRAFT MEETING AGENDA

| Thursday, 28 September 2006 | |
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| 08:00 to 09:00 | Registration |
| 09:00 to 10:30 | <p>Opening Session</p> <p>Introduction: Dominique Njinkeu – Executive Director, International Lawyers and Economists Against Poverty (ILEAP)</p> <p>Keynote Address: Hon. Benjamin Mkapa – former President, United Republic of Tanzania</p> <p>Vote of Thanks: Kwesi Botchwey – Visiting Professor of International Development Economics, Tufts University; former Minister of Finance for Ghana</p> <p>Chair: Amb. Ali Mchumo – Managing Director, Common Fund for Commodities</p> |
| 10:30 to 11:00 | Coffee Break |
| 11:00 to 13:00 | <p>Session I: Clarifying the Trade-Development-Poverty Linkage</p> <p>This session will address new ways of thinking on the role of trade policy in the elaboration of development strategies and poverty reduction, and how this can inform capacity building activities. Key questions to address will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What role can trade play in fostering longer-term development and poverty reduction? • Who are and who could / should be the beneficiaries? • Who is conducting trade capacity building? • What type of activities should be included in trade policy capacity building? <p>Speaker: Gerry Helleiner – Professor Emeritus, Department of Economics & Distinguished Research Fellow, Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto</p> <p>Chair: Gene Ogiogio – Manager, Knowledge Management & Support, The African Capacity Building Foundation</p> <p>Discussion</p> |
| 13:00 to 14:00 | Lunch |

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| 14:00 to 15:30 | <p>Session II: Integrating Development into Long-term Capacity Building: Lessons Learned</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What has been the experience thus far in integrating a development-oriented perspective into trade policy capacity building? What are the schools of thought around this issue? • What lessons can be taken from existing training programmes for the new generation of trade policy makers, trade analysts, and trade negotiators? • Challenges in building law and legal institutions: to what extent are international trade agreements an effective catalyst for broad-based institutional reform? • How can supply side constraints in low-income countries best be financed? <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pamela Coke Hamilton – Professor, University of the West Indies - Paul Gerard Pougoué – Vice-Recteur, Université de Yaoundé II - Deryck Brown – Adviser, Governance and Development / Head of Caribbean and Mediterranean Section, Governance and Institutional Development Division, Commonwealth Secretariat <p>Chair: Kerfalla Yansane – Professor and Consultant; former Governor of Central Bank of Guinea</p> <p>Discussion</p> |
| 15:30 to 16:00 | Coffee Break |
| 16:00 to 18:00 | <p>Session III: Mainstreaming Trade in National / Regional Development Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the key gaps and challenges in current delivery of trade policy capacity building? • What do we mean when we say 'integrating' or 'mainstreaming' development into trade? <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tom Pengelly – Partner, Saana Consulting <p>Chair: Havelock Brewster – Senior Associate, Caribbean Regional Negotiating Machinery (CRNM)</p> <p>Discussion</p> |
| 19:00 | Dinner |

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| 09:00 to 10:30 | <p>Session IV: Lessons Learned in Existing Training Programmes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What lessons have emerged from existing trade capacity building courses? How can we ensure that training is geared towards fostering the development dimension in the formulation of trade policy? • Are these programmes addressing the concrete needs identified by beneficiaries? Is there enough practical skills training? • How are the needs of private sector, farmers' organisations, etc. addressed? • How can trained staff be retained and adequately used? <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bipul Chatterjee – Deputy Executive Director, CUTS International - Dolores Halloran – WTO Training and Technical Cooperation - Taladidia Thombiano – Programme Director, PTCI - Jasper Okelo – Professor and Lecturer, University of Nairobi <p>Chair: Loretta Feris – Associate Professor of Law, University of Pretoria Training Programme</p> <p>Discussion</p> |
| 10:30 to 10:45 | Coffee Break |
| 10:45 to 12:00 | <p>Session V: Strengthening Analytical Capacity to be Demand Responsive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the best practices in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Delivery of development-focused training programmes? ○ Supporting research networks? ○ Inter-regional collaboration? <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trudi Hartzenberg – Executive Director, Trade Law Centre for Southern Africa (TRALAC) - Bernadette Kamgnia Dia – Professor, Faculté des sciences économiques et de gestion (FASEG), Université de Yaoundé II <p>Chair: Amb. Lingston Cumberbatch – Programme Director, IBF International Consultants</p> <p>Discussion</p> |
| 12:00 to 13:30 | <p>Session VI: Nurturing the Research-Policy Linkage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to foster constructive dialogue between policy makers and researchers? • How can productive linkages between policy makers and actors in civil society be developed (with a focus on international NGOs)? <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz – Chief Executive, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD) - Daniel Bradlow – Professor of Law & Director of International Legal Studies Program, American University Washington College of Law |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basil Jones – Senior Program Officer, International Development Research Centre (IDRC) <p>Chair: Lynne Charles – Team Leader, Trade Policy, International Trade Department, UK Department for International Development (DFID)</p> <p>Discussion</p> |
| 13:30 to 14:30 | Lunch |
| 14:30 to 16:30 | <p>Session VII: Challenges Ahead (3 breakout groups)</p> <p>Participants will break into groups to identify priorities and recommendations for three areas of trade capacity building:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group 1: University-level training programmes - Group 2: Short-term training for existing trade policy-makers - Group 3: Research and analytical backstopping (i.e. interface between research and policy-making) <p>To guide discussion towards identification of priorities and recommendations, participants will address the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the long-term challenges that need to be addressed? Are they being addressed? • Is the quantity, content and reach of capacity building activities adequate? If not, what more needs to be done? • What gaps need to be addressed? • How can we facilitate the training of a new generation of trade experts in the South? • How can capacity building delivery be anticipative / proactive about meeting needs? • Are there lessons to be learned from outside the trade agenda? • How can we engage regional institutes in this debate? <p>Moderators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group 1: Michael Herrmann – UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) - Group 2: Bernard Hoekman – The World Bank Development Research Group - Group 3: Kathleen Van Hove – Programme Officer, ECDPM <p>Discussion</p> |
| 16:30 to 16:45 | Coffee Break |
| 16:45 to 18:15 | <p>Conclusion and wrap-up</p> <p>Presentations by Moderators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group 1: Michael Herrmann - Group 2: Bernard Hoekman - Group 3: Kathleen Van Hove <p>Chair: Dominique Njinkeu – ILEAP</p> |