



**Economic Commission for Africa
African Trade Policy Centre**

**Expert Group Meeting on Enhancing Africa's
Participation in the WTO Negotiation Process**

**7-8 September 2009, Safari Park Hotel,
Nairobi, Kenya**

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Day 1: Monday, 7 September 2009

- 09:00 – 09:30 **Registration**
- Welcome Statement**
Chair: Ambassador Peter Robleh
- The Representative of the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa**
Abdoulahi Mahamat, Officer-in-Charge, Trade Finance and Economic Development Division, ECA
- The Representative of the Government of Kenya**
Cyrus Njiru, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Trade, Republic of Kenya
- 09:30 – 10:30 **The State of Play in WTO Negotiations and the Cost of No Doha Agreement**
Chair: Abdoulahi Mahamat
- The World Trade Organisation Development Division**
Maika Oshikawa (WTO)
- Presentation by International Food Policy Research Institute**
Antoine Bouet (IFPRI)
- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee and Tea Break
- 11:00 – 12:30 **Doha Round Progress: Expectations and Economic Assessment of Modalities**
Chair: Ambassador Chitsaka Chipaziwa
- Doha Round and African Expectations: Where are we?**
Stephen Karingi (UNECA)
- Synthesis of Doha Round Implications on Developing Countries**
Pradeep Singh Mehta (CUTS)
- Doha Implications on Brazil**
Joaquim Ferreira Filho
- Doha Implications on Kenya**
Eduardo Zepeda (CEIP)
- 12:30 – 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:30 **Presentations and commentaries on Current African Positions:**
Agriculture, NAMA, and Cotton negotiations
- Presenters:** *Mohamed Ibrahim* (Egypt), *Daniel Owoko* (Kenya), *Ambroise Marie Balima* (Burkina Faso)

Commentators: *Vinaye Ancharaz* (University of Mauritius), *Aileen Kwa* (South Centre), *Teteh Hormeku* (TWN)

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee and Tea Break

16:00 – 17:30 **Presentations and commentaries on Current African Positions: Trade facilitation, Rules, and Services negotiations**

Presenters: *Kofi Amenyah* (Ghana), *Edouard Bizumuremyi* (Rwanda), *Musungu Sisule*

Commentators: *Abiodun Bankole* (University of Ibadan), *Clement Kouakou* (Université de Cocody – Abidjan), *Josaphat Kweka* (World Bank)

Day 2: Tuesday , 8 September 2009

8:30 – 10:00 **Continuation of discussions on the presentations and commentaries on Current African Positions**
Chair: Ambassador Chitsaka Chipaziwa

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee and Tea Break

10:30–13:00 **What to Expect in the Scheduling Process of Doha**
Modalities: Agriculture and NAMA
Chair: Ambassador Peter Robleh

Scheduling Process of Doha Modalities
Dayong Yu (WTO)

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 16:00 **Experience with the Scheduling Process of the Uruguay Round Agreement**
Nelson Ndirangu (ACP/WTO)

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee and Tea Break

16.30 – 17.30 **Way Forward: Discussion of the work plans prepared by the AG and NAMA Negotiations Chairs and the required preparatory work and by whom**

Presentation: Coordinator, African Group to the WTO in Geneva, Egypt

17:30 – 18:00 **Presentation of the Conclusions of the Meeting**
Stephen Karingi (UNECA)