



PROGRAMME FOR **TRAPCA** TRADE POLICY FORUM 2009

Topical Issues in Trade Policy and Development in LDCs

DAY 1

Thursday 30 July 2009

0800hrs - 0900hrs: Registration of Participants and Distribution of Forum Material

0900hrs - 0910hrs: Welcome Remarks by the Executive Director, trapca, Mr. Peter Kiuluku

Session one: Services, Tariff Escalation and Preference Erosion chaired by Prof. James Otieno-Odek

0910 hrs - 0935 hrs: Marion Panizzon, WTI, GATS Mode 4: A development opportunity lost for the WTO, another one gained for bilateral and regional agreements? Discussed by Yenkong Ngangjoh

0935 hrs - 1000 hrs: Michele di Maio, University of Naples "Parthenope", Tariff Escalation and African Countries: who are the real friends? Discussed by Adam Mugume

1000 hrs - 1040 hrs: Discussion

1040 hrs - 1100 hrs: **TEA/COFFEE BREAK**

1100 hrs -1125 hrs: Evans Osabuohien, Covenant University, Trade, tariff and the fate of selected African countries discussed by Ernest Molua

1125hrs -1150hrs: Adam Mugume, Bank of Uganda, Volatility of Commodity prices and Uganda's Growth discussed by Michele di Maio

1150 hrs – 1300 hrs: Discussion

1300hrs- 1400hrs **LUNCH**

Session two: Climate Change chaired by Prof. Ven Mvano

1400 hrs – 1425 hrs: Ernest Molua, University of Buea, Climate Change Impact on sub-Saharan African Agriculture: Some Implications for Agricultural Trade discussed by Joy Kiiru

1425 hrs – 1450 hrs: Francois Aka Bedia, University of Bouake, Trade and Growth impacts on air pollution in the aggregated SSA and selected Africa countries discussed by Evans Osabuohien

1450 hrs – 1530 hrs: Discussion

1530hrs – 1555hrs: Uwuigbe Uwalomwa, Covenant University, The role of corporate social environmental sustainability reporting in firm performance: a study of some selected firms in Nigeria discussed by Eria Hisali

1555 hrs – 1620hrs: Aloysius Mom Njong, University of Dschang, Cameroon, Global Warming and Livestock Farming in Cameroon: Impacts and Implications for Poverty Reduction discussed by Kerfalla Yansane

1620 hrs – 1645 hrs: Dipo Busari, United Nations African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, Dakar, Trade and aid in Africa's growth performance: an analytical investigation discussed by Joakim Gullstrand

1645 hrs – 1730 hrs: Discussion

1730 **Cocktail**

DAY Two

Friday, 31st July, 2009

Session Three: Stalemate in the Doha negotiations, Intellectual property, trade remedies chaired by Prof. Kerfalla Yansane

0900 hrs – 0925 hrs: Yenkong Ngangjoh, University of Manchester, Implications of Concluding the Doha Round negotiations on Rules on Small and Vulnerable Economies (SVEs) discussed by Enga Kamani

0925 hrs - 0950hrs: Uche Ewelukwa Ofodile, University of Arkansas School of Law, Trade Remedies and Least Developed Countries: Problems, Possibilities & Priorities discussed by Marion Panizzon

0950 hrs - 1030 hrs: Discussion

1030 hrs - 1055hrs: Dorica Suvye Phiri, University of Malawi, Intellectual property, geographical indications and agriculture in African countries discussed by James Otieno-Odek

1055 hrs - 1135hrs: Discussion

1135hrs - 1155hrs TEA BREAK

1155hrs - 1220 hrs: Busingye Kabumba, Legal Associate with M/S MMAKS Advocates, Interrogating the utility of Trade remedies under the WTO: A normative and procedural review of the situation of LDCs and Low Income Countries discussed by Uche Ewelukwa Ofodile

1220hrs - 1245hrs: Abdule Nesredin, trapca MSc student, Addis Ababa, Implications of Plant Breeder's Rights on Food Security of Developing Countries: the Case of Ethiopia discussed by Dipo Busari

1245 hrs - 1325 hrs: Discussion

1325hrs - 1425hrs LUNCH

Session Five: Capacity -building and Rules of Origin chaired by Dr. Joy Kiiru

1425 hrs - 1450hrs: Tendeukayi Mugadza, University of Cape Town, Measuring the opportunity costs of trade-related capacity development in Sub-Saharan Africa discussed by Francois Aka Bedia

1450hrs - 1515hrs: Aniekan Iboru UKPE Programme Officer, Making services rules of origin development-friendly discussed by Mary Mbithi

1515hrs - 1625hrs: Discussion

1625hrs - 1650hrs: Brief closing remarks by the Academic Director, Prof. Gote Hansson

1650hrs - 1800hrs: Tea and networking