

ICC Global Trade & Investment Policy Commission Meeting

Date: 23 May 2024

Time: 08:00-10:00 (CEST) and 13.00-17.00 (CEST)

Format: Hybrid (in person and online)

Venue: World Trade Organization (Geneva) & virtual

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Session 1 - Focus on Asia

This session is open to all but intended to accommodate in particular members located in Asia-Pacific. Given the importance of the E-Commerce JSI and the E-Commerce Moratorium to global business and the stated objective of the JSI co-convenors to conclude negotiations by June 2024, we have invited an E-Commerce JSI co-convenor to speak in both Session 1 and 2 to ensure that members across the world can engage in this discussion.

08:00-08:05	Welcome (Steven Pope, Chair Global Trade & Investment Policy Commission, DHL GoTrade)
08:05-8:45	ICC policy priorities and emerging issues - Update on the work of the Global Trade Commission (Valerie Picard, Head of Trade, ICC and Florence Binta Diao-Gueye, Lead Trade & Customs, ICC) - Presentation by ICC Australia and ICC India on trade opportunities and challenges from the Asia-Pacific perspective
08:45-9:15	Post-MC13: State of the WTO Remarks by Bernie Kuiten, Head of External Relations, WTO, and discussion on the impact of MC13 outcomes and road ahead for the WTO
09:15-09:45	WTO E-Commerce JSI & E-Commerce Moratorium Remarks by and discussion with Ambassador Baxter of Australia, co-convenor of the WTO E-Commerce JSI, on the status of the e-commerce negotiations and next steps, including on the E-Commerce Moratorium
09:45-10:00	Next steps & closing (Steven Pope, Chair)

Session 2 – Global outlook and deep dive into WTO workstreams

13:00-13:05	Welcome (Steven Pope, Chair Global Trade & Investment Policy Commission, DHL GoTrade)
13:05-13:35	Keynote speaker: Dr Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Secretary General, WTO (TBC)
13:35-14:50	ICC study on the economic value of the WTO (Lloyd Barton, Head of Thematic Macro Consulting, Oxford Economics) Global trade outlook (Ralph Ossa, Chief Economist, WTO) The state of globalization (Professor Steven A. Altman, Stern School of Business, NYU) Q&A
14:50-15:00	Coffee break
15:00-16:15	Trade & Environment - Remarks by and discussion with Aik Hoe Lim, Director, Trade and Environment Division, WTO (TBC) - Update on ICC Ecoterms (Valerie Picard, ICC) - Presentation of new ICC-EY publication, "Putting Circular Economy into Motion: from barriers to opportunities" (George Ridell, EY) and Florence Binta Diao-Gueye, ICC) - Discussion on CBAM/deforestation
16:15-16:45	WTO E-Commerce JSI & E-Commerce Moratorium Remarks by and discussion with Ambassador Tan of Singapore (TBC), co-convenor of the WTO E-Commerce JSI, on the status of the e-commerce negotiations and next steps, including on the E-Commerce Moratorium
16:45-17:00	Final reflections & closing (Steven Pope, Chair)
18:30	Cocktail reception, Geneva (venue TBC)