



WORKSHOP ON THE NEW GENERATION OF FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS AND THEIR IMPACT ON INTRA-OIC TRADE OF THE ARAB AND AFRICAN COUNTRIES

Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, 4-6 May 2015

PROGRAMME

Monday 4th May 2015

MORNING SESSION:

08.30-09.00 : Registration of participants

09.00-10.00 : Opening Session

- Recitation of verses from The Holy Quran
- Statement of H.E Mr. Mohamed ABOU, Minister in Charge of Foreign Trade of the Kingdom of Morocco
- Speech of the Representative of the IDB Group
- Speech of H.E. Dr. El Hassane HZAINE, Director General of ICDT
- Presentation of the Programme of the Seminar
- Photo of participants

10.00-10.30 : Coffee break

10.30-12.30 : **1st Session: Presentation of the outcomes of the study on the New Generations of FTA and their impacts on the intra-OIC Trade by ICDT**

Chairman: Representative of the Ministry in Charge of Trade of the Kingdom of Morocco

- Presentation of the outcomes of the study on the New Generations of FTA and their impacts on the Intra-OIC Trade by ICDT
- Debate

12.30-14.30 : Lunch break and prayer time

AFTERNOON SESSION:

15.00-16.30: **2nd Session: Trends in FTAs and their impact on intra-regional trade**

Chairman: Representative of the IDB Group.

- Experiences from Sub-Saharan Africa: case of Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) by UNECA (Rabat Office)
- Experience from the Agadir Agreement by Agadir Technical Unit.
- Trends in FTAs between Latin American Countries by South Centre
- Debate

16.30-16.45: Coffee break and end of the first day

Tuesday 5th May 2015

MORNING SESSION:

9.00-10.30 : 3rd Session: New Generations of FTA of OIC Countries: Experiences of Arab Countries

Chairman: Representative of UNECA

- Presentation of the New Generations of FTA of Morocco
- Presentation of the New Generations of FTA of Egypt
- Presentation of the New Generations of FTA of Tunisia
- Presentation of the New Generations of FTA of Bahrein

Debate

10.30-10.45: Coffee break

10.45-12.30: 3rd Session: New Generations of FTA of OIC Countries (continuation)

Chairman: Representative of the South Center

- Presentation of the New Generations of FTA of Senegal
- Presentation of the New Generations of FTA of Côte d'Ivoire
- Presentation of the New Generations of FTA of Uganda
- Presentation of the New Generations of FTA of Nigeria

Debate

12.30-14.30 : Lunch break and Prayer time

AFTERNOON SESSION:

14.30-16.15 : 4th Session: Impact of Mega-regionals (Trans-Atlantic Trade Investment Partnership, Trans-Pacific Partnership) on the OIC Member States by the South Centre

Chairman: Representative of the ICDT

16.15-16.30: Coffee break

16.30-17.00 : General debate on how to use the New Generation of FTA in the OIC Member States and TPS/OIC Agreement and their impact on enhancing intra-OIC Trade

Chairman: Representatives of ICDT/IDB Group

Wednesday, 6th May 2015

9.00-10.30 : Drafting Committee

10.30-10.45 : Coffee break

10.45-12.30 : Agreed Conclusions

12.30-14.30 : Lunch break and Prayer time

14.30-15.30 : Closing Session

- Evaluation of the Seminar.
- Distribution of participation certificates
- Closing remarks:
 - Representative of the IDB Group,
 - Representative of ICDT
 - Representative of the Ministry in Charge of Foreign Trade of the Kingdom of Morocco.

15.30-16.30: Cocktail