Webinar

Trade and Climate Action:

Shifting the Paradigm for a Just Transition and Sustainable Development

Date: 2nd February 2023

Time: (9-10:30 EST/10-10:30 AST/14-14:30 GMT/15-15:30 CET)

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As recognition of the urgency of climate action increases, debate is growing on the need to spur a paradigm shift to support sustainability in the international trading system. Moreover, critical gaps remain on how the links between trade, finance and climate action can be more ambitious and better promote a just transition and climate-resilient development.

Under the auspices of the Aligning Climate and Economic Governance (ACEGOV), the UWI/SRC Lunch Time Chat seminar series, the Forum on Trade, Environment and the SDGs (TESS), and the Remaking Global Trade for a Sustainable Future Project, this 1.5-hour webinar will bring together leading scholars and practitioners to discuss the following themes:

Time (EST, AST,GMT, CET)	Theme	Speaker
9:00-9:10 10:00-10:10 14:00-14:10 15:00-15:10	Welcome & introductory remarks; introduction of panel (big picture framing)	Prof Thomas Hale (moderator) (Professor of Global Public Policy, Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford)
9:10-9:20 10:10-10:20 14:10-14:20 15:10-15:20	Reforming the world trading system: intellectual framing of the Project and its importance for the Global South (traffic light system)	Prof Dan Esty Hillhouse Professor at Yale University, Centre for Environmental Law and Policy (Founder/Lead on the Remaking Trade for Sustainability Project)
9:20-9:30 10:20-10:30 14:20-14:30 15:20-15:30	Regional perspective: Africa	Dr Kennedy Mbeva (Postdoctoral Research Associate, Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford)
9:30-9:40 10:30-10:40	Regional perspective: Caribbean	Dr Jan Yves Remy

14:30-14:40 15:30-15:40		(Director of the Shridath Ramphal Centre for International Trade Law, Policy and Services (SRC) of University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus, Barbados / Policy Director, Remaking Trade for Sustainability Project
9:40-9:50 10:40-10:50 14:40-14:50 15:40-15:50	Multilateral perspectives: WTO; wider trade finance issues	Dr Carolyn Deere Birkbeck (Director, Forum on Trade, Environmental Sustainability and the SDGs (TESS))
9:50-10:00 10:50-11:00 14:50-15:00 15:50-16:00	Revisiting the bargain between developing and developed countries	Prof Joel Trachtman (Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University (Founder/Lead on the Remaking Trade for Sustainability Project))
10:00-10:25 11:00-11:25 15:00-15:25 16:00-16:25	Question & Answer session	
10:25-10:30 11:25-11:30 15:25-15:30 16:25-16:30	Conclusion & closing remarks	Prof Thomas Hale (Close and talk about the upcoming workshop in Barbados)