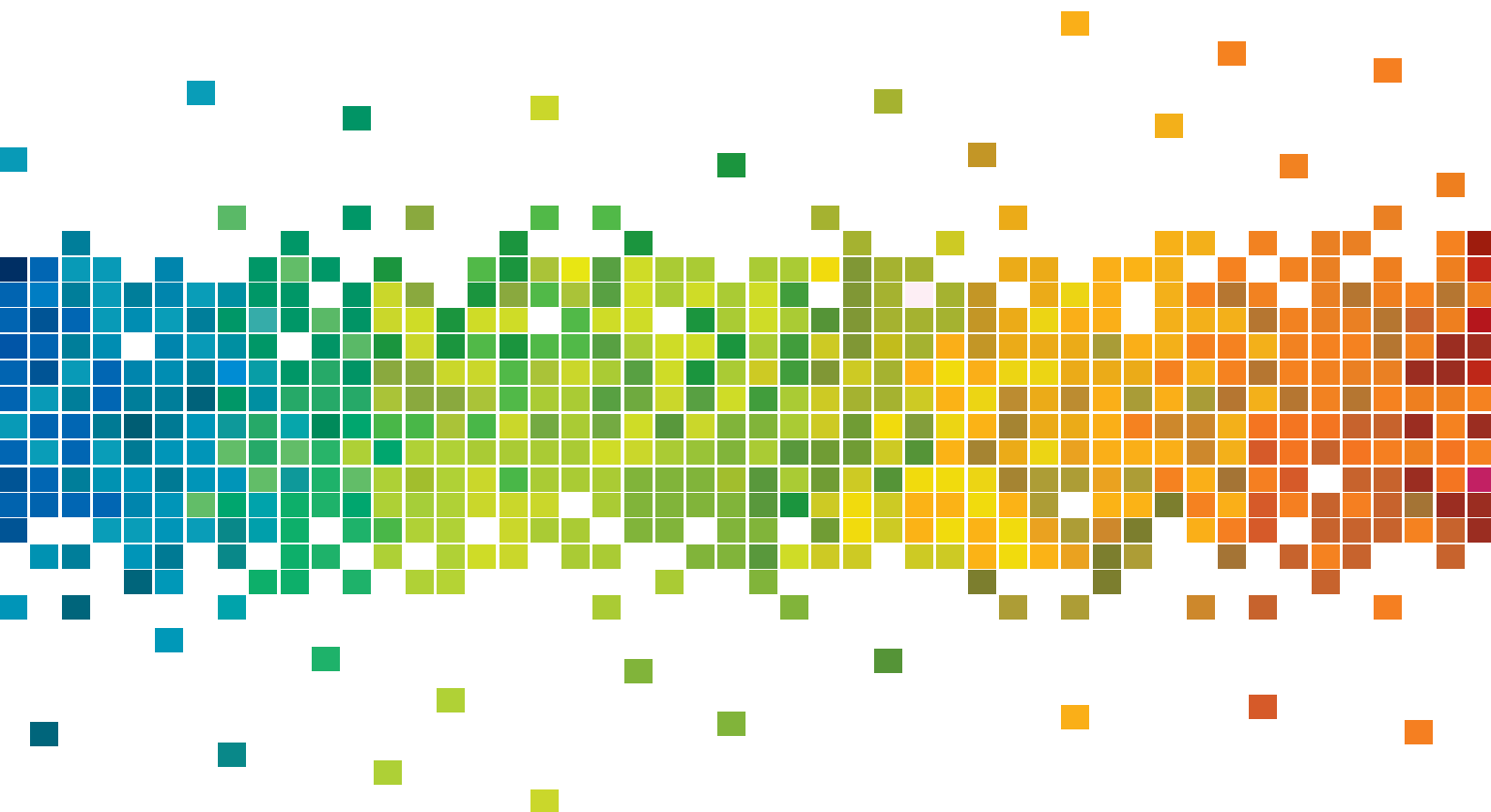


# PROGRAMME

**GENERAL CONFERENCE** Thirteenth Session, 7-11 December 2009, Vienna



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Monday, 7 December 2009

#### First Plenary Meeting

10 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

- Opening of the session
- Appointment of the Director-General
- Statements by Heads of State and Government
- Opening of General Debate

#### Press Conference

1 – 1.30 p.m.

Venue: M building, ground floor, MoE71 A (MoE)

#### Second Plenary Meeting

3 – 4.30 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

General debate

#### Forum (part I)

4.30 – 6.30 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

#### GLOBAL ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN: THE IMPACT ON MANUFACTURING

The financial crisis has generated an industrial crisis which has temporarily reversed the global integration of factor markets—goods, capital and labour. The key elements of the crisis will be presented. Special attention will be paid to the temporary reversal in manufacturing and trade globalization. Participants will also look at the transmission channels through which manufacturing has been impacted, particularly in developing countries, and the potential responses to mitigate the adverse consequences.

#### Reception hosted by the Director-General

7 – 8.30 p.m.

Venue: F building, VIC restaurant

Tuesday, 8 December 2009

#### General Committee

9 a.m.

Venue: M building, ground floor, M7 (MoE)

#### Third Plenary Meeting

10 – 11 a.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

General debate

#### Main Committee – First Meeting

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Venue: M building, second floor, Board Room A (Mo2)

#### **Forum (part II)**

11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

#### **GLOBAL ECONOMIC RECOVERY: SEIZING OPPORTUNITIES FOR GREENING INDUSTRIES**

Participants will identify and build on emerging novel areas for investment and growth, focus on the greening of existing industries, and developing new sustainable green industries. They will discuss a number of conditions that need to be met for greening to underpin long-run growth. These include the emerging opportunities for profitable investments; the need for enhanced interest for environmentally friendly goods and services from the population at large; and making sure that “green and greening industries” are more dynamic, and eventually larger, than “brown and browning industries”. Vital international policy coordination to address these requirements, as well as incentives at national levels, will also be discussed.

#### **Fourth Plenary Meeting**

3 – 7 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

General debate

#### **Main Committee – Second Meeting**

3 – 6 p.m.

Venue: M building, second floor, Board Room A (Mo2)

#### **Round Table (AFRICA)**

3 – 4:30 p.m.

Venue: M building, ground floor, MoE71 A (MoE)

#### **TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE BIOFUELS INDUSTRIES IN AFRICA**

Africa has vast resources and potential to develop biofuels, but policymakers on the continent face a lot of challenges to make sure this is done in a sustainable manner. The round-table discussion will focus on the relevance of biofuels to Africa’s growth prospects and the continent’s contribution to the global shift towards low-carbon economies. It is also expected to suggest a framework for enhanced coordination among key players in the field of sustainable biofuels development in Africa, taking into consideration relevant national and regional initiatives.

#### **Round Table (ASIA AND THE PACIFIC)**

5 – 6:30 p.m.

Venue: M building, ground floor, MoE71 A (MoE)

#### **IS GREEN INDUSTRY THE NEXT ENGINE OF GROWTH FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC?**

Participants will highlight the opportunities and challenges in creating green businesses and green jobs in Asia and the Pacific, as well as the associated implications for the economic recovery path of the countries in the region. The discussion will help formulate policy recommendations on the requirements and prerequisites for building sustainable productive capacities and establishing an enabling policy framework for developing green businesses and jobs.

Wednesday, 9 December 2009

**Credentials Committee (tentative)**

9.15 a.m. – 10.15 a.m.

Venue: M7, M building, ground floor (MoE)

**Fifth Plenary Meeting**

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

General debate

**Main Committee – Third Meeting**

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Venue: M building, second floor, Board Room A (Mo2)

**Round Table (EUROPE AND THE NEWLY INDEPENDENT STATES)**

11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Venue: M building, ground floor, MoE71 A (MoE)

**SUSTAINABILITY STANDARDS: HURDLES OR OPPORTUNITIES?**

Energy, water and nutrition challenges, climate change and the pressure for introducing more ethical business practices have led to many “standards” and associated labeling and conformity assessment practices which apply to products, processes and services. The round-table discussion will centre on the significance of sustainability standards in international trade and explore the types of measures to be taken to exploit opportunities and minimize challenges posed by sustainability standards to trading opportunities of developing countries and countries in transition.

**Sixth Plenary Meeting**

3 – 6 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

General debate

**Main Committee – Fourth meeting**

3 – 6 p.m.

Venue: M building, second floor, Board Room A (Mo2)

**Round Table (ARAB REGION)**

3 – 4:30 p.m.

Venue: M building, ground floor, MoE71 A (MoE)

**INVESTING IN AND FINANCING GREEN BUSINESS**

Policymakers in Arab States understand the need to promote greater efficiency in resource consumption and protect the environment against pollution and waste. This could be a chance to green the region’s industry and invest in new green businesses offering environmental goods and services. The discussion will help outline the key challenges and opportunities facing the Arab countries in their efforts to invest in green business. The roles of governments, industries and financial institutions will also be explored, as well as job creation in green industries.



#### Round Table (LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN)

5 – 6:30 p.m.

Venue: M building, ground floor, MoE71 A (MoE)

#### PROMOTING RENEWABLE ENERGY INDUSTRY IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The countries of the region face a permanently widening technological and industrial gap because they have so far been unable to develop a competitive renewable energy technology industry. Participants will discuss the policies and measures that need to be swiftly introduced to make sure the region does not turn into a mere consumer of technologies and follower of industrial trends, which would lead to the loss of numerous jobs and lucrative business opportunities.

Thursday, 10 December 2009

#### Seventh Plenary Meeting

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

#### Main Committee – Fifth Meeting

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Venue: M building, second floor, Board Room A (Mo2)

#### Eighth Plenary Meeting

3 – 6 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

General debate

#### Main Committee – Sixth Meeting

3 – 6 p.m.

Venue: M building, second floor, Board Room A (Mo2)

Friday, 11 December 2009

#### Ninth Plenary Meeting

10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Venue: M building, first floor, Plenary Hall (Mo1)

Consideration and adoption of decisions and resolutions

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