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## IDB/INTAL-WTO REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON TRADE AND ENVIRONMENT FOR CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES

Bridgetown, Barbados  
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### TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4

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- 08:30 - 09:00 **Registration**
- 09:00 - 09:30 **Opening Remarks**  
*Anneke Jessen*, IDB Representative in Barbados  
*Marie Isabelle Pellan*, WTO Secretariat
- 09:30 - 10:00 **Introduction**
- From GATT to WTO
  - Main objectives, function and structure of the multilateral trading system
  - Basic principles
- 10:00 - 10:30 **Discussion**
- 10:30 - 11:00 *Coffee Break*
- 11:00 - 11:45 **Trade and Environment in WTO**
- Brief history of the trade and environment debate
  - Work Programme of the Committee on Trade and Environment (CTE)
  - The Doha mandate on trade and environment
- 11:45 - 12:15 **Discussion**
- 12:15 - 14:00 *Lunch at the Grand Barbados Restaurant hosted by IDB/INTAL*
- 14:00 - 14:45 **Opportunities and Challenges for Furthering the Climate Change Agenda**
- Climate Change and WTO
  - International and Regional Perspectives (*Presentations by CARICOM and UNEP Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean*)
- 14:45 - 15:15 **Discussion**
- 15:15 - 15:45 *Coffee Break*

#### TRADE LIBERALIZATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT: THE "WIN-WIN-WIN" SCENARIOS

- 15:45 - 16:30 **DDA Mandate on Environmental Goods and Services**
- Trends in the environmental goods and services sector
  - Technical issues related to the identification of environmental goods
  - State-of-play of the negotiations and main proposals tabled in CTESS
  - The Developing Country Perspective on EGS Mandate
- 16:30 - 17:30 **Quiz and Discussion**

## THE WTO AND MULTILATERAL ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENTS (MEAs)

- 9:00 - 9:45     **Relationship Between WTO Rules and MEAs**
- Introduction to the MEA debate in the WTO
  - Selected MEAs and trade-related measures (*Presentation by UNEP Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean*)
- 9:45 - 10:15   **DDA Negotiations on WTO and MEAs**
- Relationship between "specific trade obligations" and existing WTO rules
  - Cooperation between WTO and MEA secretariats
  - Overview of proposals tabled in the CTE Special Session (CTESS) and current state of play of the negotiations
- 10:15 - 10:45   Discussion
- 10:45 - 11:15   *Coffee Break*
- 11:15 - 12:00   **Biodiversity and Trade**
- Core objectives of the Convention on Biological Diversity and key challenges for SIDS (*Presentation by CBD*)
- 12:00 - 12:30   Discussion
- 12:30 - 14:00   *Lunch at the Grand Barbados Restaurant hosted by IDB/INTAL*
- 14:00 - 14:30   **Biodiversity and Trade (*Continued*)**
- The Relationship between CBD and the TRIPS Agreement (*Presentations by CBD and WTO*)
- 14:30 - 15:00   Discussion

## ENVIRONMENT-RELATED DISPUTES

- 15:00 - 15:45   **GATT/WTO Jurisprudence on Environment**
- Brief introduction to the WTO dispute settlement system
  - Relevant WTO rules and GATT Article XX exception
  - *US - Gasoline, US - Shrimp, Brazil - Retreaded Tyres*
- 15:45 - 16:00   Discussion
- 16:00 - 16:30   *Coffee Break*
- 16:30 - 17:45   **Simulation Exercise**

**ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS AND MARKET ACCESS**

- 9:00 - 10:00    **Environmental Requirements and Market Access**
- CTE Discussions
  - Relevant disciplines under the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
  - The example of organic products
- 10:00 - 10:30    Discussion
- 10:30 - 11:00    *Coffee Break*
- 11:00 - 11:30    **Environmental Requirements and Market Access (*Continued*)**
- Labelling requirements for environmental purposes
- 11:30 - 12:30    **The Challenge of Sustainable Development in Regional Trade Agreements in the Americas**  
*(Presentation by Mr. Jaime Granados, Trade Specialist, Integration and Trade Sector, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB))*
- 12:30 - 13:00    **Closing Remarks and Evaluation**
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