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| 15:00 18:00 | CR | High Level Panel on Development | WTO – Development Division | <p>Coherence and Capacity Building for Trade: Focus on the Enhanced Integrated Framework and the Aid for Trade Initiative</p> <p>Valentine Rugwabiza – Deputy-Director General, WTO, Introduction of panelists</p> <p>Moderator: H.E. Don Stephenson – Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the WTO, Canada</p> <p>H.E. Mia Horn af Rantzien – Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the WTO, Sweden</p> <p>H.E. Liv Monica B. Stubholt – Deputy-Minister of Foreign Affairs, Norway</p> <p>Dominique Njinkeu – Executive Director of International Lawyers and Economists Against Poverty</p> <p>Dorothy Tembo – Director of Foreign Trade, Zambian Trade Ministry</p> <p>Mohammed Salisu – Principal Trade Economist, African Development Bank</p> <p>Carlos Braga – Senior Adviser, World Bank, Geneva</p> | |
| 15:00 18:00 | W | Agriculture | Committee of Professional Agricultural Organisations in the European Union and General Confederation of Agricultural Co-operatives in the European Union (COPA/COGECA) | <p>How can non-trade concerns in agriculture be best safeguarded - within WTO or by strengthening wider global governance?</p> <p>Opening Address: Rudolf Schwarzböck – President of COPA</p> <p>Moderator: Noël Devisch – President of Belgian Boerenbond</p> <p>Dr. Alex Thiermann – President of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code Commission, World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)</p> <p>Tetsuro Ushikusa – Deputy Director of International Economic Affairs, Japanese Ministry of Agriculture</p> <p>Marco Kassaja – Head of Unit, Tanzanian Mission to the WTO</p> | |

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| 15:00 16:30 | D | Systemic Issues | UNICE/Confederation of European Business and APEC Business Advisory Council | <p>Neo-protectionism: 21st Century Challenge for the WTO</p> <p>Moderator: David Hartridge – White & Case, Former Director, Services Division, WTO</p> <p>Prof. Dr. Reinhard Quick – Vice-Chairman, WTO Working Group, UNICE</p> <p>Hernán Somerville – President, Chilean Association of Banks and Financial Institutions</p> <p>Peter Charlton – Chairman & CEO First Charlton Communications</p> | |
| 16:30 18:00 | | Agriculture | IATP /Coordination SUD/ Collectif Stratégies Alimentaires | <p>Africa Paves the Way Forward: new possibilities for agriculture trade</p> <p>Opening Address: Jim Harkness – Chair, IATP</p> <p>Arlène Alpha – Coordination SUD</p> <p>Saliou Sarr – ROPPA, West African Farmers and Farm Producers Network</p> <p>Synthesis and conclusion: Henri Rouillé d'Orfeuill – Coordination SUD and Elly Kamahungye – First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Uganda to the UN and other International Organizations at Geneva</p> | |

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| 15:00 16:30 | E | Standards | United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) | <p>International Standards in the multilateral trading system: A stakeholders' discussion</p> <p>Moderator: Marek Belka – Executive Secretary, UNECE Alan Bryden – Secretary-General of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Marion Jansen – Counsellor, WTO Secretariat Per Döfnäs – Director, Technical Regulations, Ericsson Olga Razbash – Legal Expert, Russian Regional Ecological Centre Ulrike Bickelmann – Head of Inspection Service, Federal Bureau for Food and Agriculture, Germany Tadatsugu Toni Matsudaira – Technical Officer, The World Customs Organization Roger Pochtier – Standards & Regulations Manager, Caterpillar S.A.R.L.</p> | |
| 16:30 18:00 | | Sustainable Development | International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) | <p>A Sustainable Development Roadmap for the WTO</p> <p>Moderator: Howard Mann – Senior International Law Advisor, Trade and Investment, IISD</p> <p>Faizel Ismail – Head of the South African Delegation to the WTO, Chair, Development Committee Rupert Schlegelmilch – Head of Unit, European Commission DG Trade F3 (Sustainable Development) Prof. Gary Sampson – International Economic Governance, United Nations University, Institute of Advanced Studies Carin Smaller – Head of Geneva Office, Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy Aaron Cosbey – Associate and Senior Advisor, Trade and Investment, IISD</p> | |

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| 15:00 16:30 | F | Sustainability and Environmental Impact Assessments | Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL) | <p>Sustainability and Environmental Impact Assessment of Trade Negotiations: Doha and Beyond</p> <p>Moderator: Marie-Claire Cordonier Segger – Director, CISDL</p> <p>Keynote : Rupert Schlegelmilch – Head of Unit, European Commission</p> <p>Dr. Markus W. Gehring – Lead Counsel, CISDL and Lecturer in International Law, University of Cambridge</p> <p>Prof. Clive George – Institute for Development Policy and Management, University of Manchester</p> <p>Gabrielle Marceau – Counsellor, Office of the Director-General, WTO</p> <p>Michelle Cooper – First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Canada</p> | |
| 16:30 18:00 | | Trade and Employment | International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU) and Solidar | <p>Can trade deliver decent work in the XXIst Century?</p> <p>Moderator: Cecilia Brighi – Confederazione Italiana Sindacati dei Lavoratori, CISL</p> <p>Guy Ryder – General Secretary, ICFTU</p> <p>Ben Khoza – First Vice President, National Union of Metalworkers of South Africam, NUMSA</p> <p>Peter Peek – Manager, Statistical Development and Analysis, ILO</p> <p>Sergio Bassoli – PROSVIL / CGIL (Solidar)</p> | |

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| 15:00 16:30 | B | Corporate Social Responsibility | Geneva Social Observatory(GSO) and Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO) | <p>Corporate Social Responsibility and the Doha Development Round: Are there any Win-Win Opportunities for the Private Sector and Developing Countries?</p> <p>Moderators: Katherine A. Hagen – Executive Director, Geneva Social Observatory and Martin Watson – Representative, Trade and Development, Quaker United Nations Office</p> <p>Auret van Heerden – President and CEO, Fair Labor Association Bernard Luten – Head, Occupational Health, Unilever Christopher Roberts – Chair of the Policy Committee of the European Services Forum Joy Kategekwa – Team Leader, South Centre Peter Neidecker – Manager, Support Services E. Europe, Africa, Middle East, Central Asia, Hewlett Packard (hp) Rabson Wanjala – First Secretary (Commercial Affairs), Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kenya to the United Nations Stefanie Meredith – Director of Public Health Partnerships, IFPMA Shaista Sohail – Economic Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the WTO</p> | |
| 16:30 18:00 | | Regional Trade Agreements | Federation of German Industries (BDI) | <p>RTAs threat or opportunity for the WTO?</p> <p>Moderator: Reinhard Quick – German Chemical Industry Association, VCI</p> <p>Nicolas Imboden – Ideascentre Jürgen Matthes – Cologne Institute for Economic Research, IW Joakim Reiter – European Commission Rachel A. Shub – Attaché, Permanent Mission of the United States to the WTO</p> | |
| **** 18:00 - 20:00 RECEPTION **** | | | | | |

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| Tuesday 26 September | | | | | |
| <p>10:00 13:00</p> | <p>CR I</p> | <p>Systemic Issues</p> | <p>National Foreign Trade Council (NFTC)</p> | <p>To remain relevant and viable in the XXIst Century, what will the WTO need to deliver?</p> <p>Moderator: John M. Weekes – Senior Policy Adviser, Sidley Austin LLP, Geneva</p> <p>Mary Irace – Vice-President, Trade and Export Finance, and Co-Chair of the NFTC Doha Round Working Group NFTC, Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Celine Charveriat – Head of Advocacy Office in Geneva, and Head of Make Trade Fair Campaign, Oxfam, Geneva</p> <p>Fredrik Erixon – Director, European Centre for International Political Economy, Brussels</p> <p>John Vassallo – Senior Counsel and Director of European Affairs GE, Brussels</p> <p>Vishwanath Tattamangalam – Head of International Trade Policy, Confederation of Indian Industry, New Delhi</p> <p>Dr. Magdi Farahat – Chief, Office for Africa Division of Technical Cooperation Coordination, International Trade Centre, Geneva (TBC)</p> | |

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| 10:00 11:30 | w | Agriculture | WTO – Agriculture and Commodities Division | <p>Globalization, trade and the transformation of agrifood systems</p> <p>Moderator: Anabel Gonzalez – Director, Agriculture and Commodities Division, WTO</p> <p>Dr Kostas G. Stamoulis – Chief of Agricultural Sector, Economic Development Service, FAO</p> <p>Kimberly Elliott – Senior Fellow, Center for Global Development</p> <p>Gilles Dryancour – Director Government Affairs, Europe, Africa, Middle East, Deere & Company European Office</p> | |
| 11:30 13:00 | | Trade and Development | Evian Group | <p>Trade and Development post non-Doha: Let's get real</p> <p>Moderator: Prof. Jean-Pierre Lehmann – Professor of International Political Economy, IMD, Switzerland and Founding Director, The Evian Group</p> <p>Shuaihua Cheng – Young Professional Officer, China Programme, ICTSD, Switzerland</p> <p>Franklin Cudjoe – Executive Director, Imani: The Centre for Humane Education, Ghana</p> <p>Ximena Escobar Nogales – Center for Applied Studies in Negotiations, CASIN, Switzerland</p> <p>Huma Fakhar – Founder and Chairperson of Market @ccess Promotion, Pakistan</p> <p>Pranav Kumar – Policy Analyst, CUTS International, India</p> | |

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| 10:00 11:30 | E | Systemic Issues | Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation (AITIC) | Beyond Doha: In Search of the Multilateral Trading System Moderator: Dr Esperanza Durán – Executive Director, AITIC H.E. Carlo Trojan – Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the EC to the WTO Constantine Michalopoulos – Consultant H.E. Rosalie Koudoungué – Minister of Commerce, Industry and Small and Medium Enterprises, Central African Republic | |
| 11:30 13:00 | | Subsidies and International Trade | WTO – Economic Research and Statistics Division | Subsidies and International Trade Moderator: Robert Teh – Counsellor, Economic Research and Statistics Division, WTO Presentation 1: World Trade Report 2006 Patrick Low – Director, Economic Research and Statistics Division, WTO Presentation 2: The Global Subsidies Initiative Ronald Steenblik | |

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| 10:00 11:30 | F | Role of Media | The Panos Institute | <p>The role of the media in boosting public awareness and debate of trade policy-making</p> <p>Moderators: Dipankar de Sarkar – International journalist, India/UK and Jon Barnes – Head of globalisation programme, Panos, London</p> <p>Richard Waddington – Reuters, Chief correspondent, Geneva Anthony Hill – Former Ambassador of Jamaica to GATT and WTO and UN, Geneva John Kamau – Senior reporter, <i>Sunday Standard</i>, Kenya Mildred Mpundu – Journalist, Zambia</p> | |
| 11:30 13:00 | | Accessions | International Development Research Centre (IDRC) | <p>Improving the Accession Process in the 21st Century</p> <p>Moderator: Alejandro Jara – Deputy Director General, WTO</p> <p>Prof. Simon J. Evenett – University of St.Gallen, Switzerland Riad al Khouri – MEBA, Jordan Sok Siphana – International Trade Centre (ITC) Dr. Fawaz Al-Alamy – Saudi Arabia Mina Mashayekhi – UNCTAD Ann Weston – North South Institute, Canada Dr. Diana Tussie – FLACSO, Argentina</p> | |

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| <p>**** 13:00 - 15:00 LUNCH BREAK ****</p> | | | | | |
| <p>15:00 18:00</p> | <p>CR I</p> | <p>Sustainable Development</p> | <p>International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD)</p> | <p>Measuring Different Futures For The Global Trading System: implications for sustainable development</p> <p>Moderator: Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz – Executive Director, ICTSD</p> <p>Kimberly Elliott – Institute for International Economics (IIE) and Center for Global Development (CGD), USA Antoine Bouet – International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) Clive George – Impact Assessment Research Centre, University of Manchester, UK</p> | |

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| 15:00 16:30 | CR II | Aid for Trade | CUTS International | <p>Operationalising Aid for Trade</p> <p>Moderator: Jean-Pierre Lehmann – Professor of International Political Economy, IMD, Lausanne, Switzerland and Founding Director of the Evian Group</p> <p>H.E. Mia Horn Af Rantzien – Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the WTO, Sweden</p> <p>H.E. Khadija Rachida Masri – Ambassador and Permanent Observer, Permanent Delegation of the African Union in Geneva</p> <p>Susan Barton – International Trade Department, DFID, UK</p> <p>Harmon Thomas – Special Advisor, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services and Commodities, UNCTAD</p> <p>Martina Garcia – Senior Trade Policy Analyst, OECD Trade Directorate</p> | |
| 16:30 18:00 | | Development | Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation (FES) & CUTS International | <p>G-20 Civil Society Views on WTO</p> <p>Moderator: Thomas Manz – Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation (FES)</p> <p>Umberto Celli – idcid, Brazil</p> <p>Mzukisi Qobo – Research Associate, SAIIA, South Africa</p> <p>Pradeep S Mehta – Secretary General, CUTS International, India</p> <p>Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz – Executive Director, ICTSD</p> | |
| 15:00 16:30 | W | Agriculture | Canadian Federation of Agriculture (CFA) | <p>The Doha Round, where do we go from here and what are the implications for agriculture?</p> <p>Moderator: Laurent Pellerin – 1st Vice President of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture and President of l'Union des producteurs agricoles (UPA)</p> <p>Peter Clark – Grey, Clark, Shih and Associates Limited</p> <p>Martin Rice – Executive Director, Canadian Pork Council</p> <p>Bob Friesen – President, Canadian Federation of Agriculture</p> | |

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| 16:30 18:00 | W | Agriculture | International Federation of Agricultural Producers (IFAP) | <p>Outstanding Issues in Agriculture and Impacts on Farm Policies</p> <p>Opening Address: Jack Wilkinson – President of IFAP and David King – IFAP, Secretary-General</p> <p>Panel of the leaders of the main negotiating groups: H.E. Bruce Gosper – WTO Ambassador, Australia (Cairns Group) H.E. Samuel Amehou – WTO Ambassador, Benin (LDCs) H.E. Clodoaldo Hugueney – WTO Ambassador, Brazil (G-20) H.E. Carlo Trojan – WTO Ambassador, European Communities H.E. Ujal Singh Bhatia – WTO Ambassador, India H.E. Ichiro Fujisaki – WTO Ambassador, Japan (G-10) H.E. Peter Allgeier – WTO Ambassador, USA</p> <p>Panel of leaders from farmers' organizations: Peter Gaemelke – Vice-President of IFAP; President Danish Agricultural Council Ajay Vashee – Vice-President of IFAP, Chair of the Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (Zambia) Fernando Lopez – Chair, IFAP Latin American and the Caribbean's Farmers Committee Sutrisno Iwantono – Chair, Advocacy Centre for Indonesian Farmers Robert Friesen – President, Canadian Federation of Agriculture</p> <p>Closing remarks: H.E. Crawford Falconer – Chairman, Special Session of the WTO Committee on Agriculture, WTO Ambassador, New Zealand</p> | |

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| 15:00 16:30 | D | Gender | Commonwealth Secretariat | <p>Equitable Trade: creating a level playing field for men and women</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Esperanza Durán – Executive Director, AITIC</p> <p>Mariama Williams – Independent consultant and author, Gender Mainstreaming in the Multilateral Trading System</p> <p>H.E. Mia Horn af Rantzen – Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the WTO, Sweden and Chair, Task Force on Aid for Trade</p> <p>H.E. G. Senadhira – Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka to the WTO and Chair, Geneva Group of the Commonwealth Developing Countries</p> <p>Sarojini Ganju Thakur – Adviser (Gender Section), Commonwealth Secretariat, London</p> | |
| 16:30 18:00 | | | International Gender and Trade Network (IGTN) | <p>Aid for Trade: Any chances for a gender-sensitive development?</p> <p>Moderator: Maria Rosaria Iorio – Head, International Gender and Trade Network Office, Geneva</p> <p>Kristin Simpson – USTN, United States</p> <p>Gigi Francisco</p> | |
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