



IDB Group Preparatory Seminar for the 5th Global Review of Aid for Trade (AfT)

Regional Seminar on: "Reducing Trade Costs for Inclusive and Sustainable Growth"

Kempinski Hotel Amman – Kingdom of Jordan

21 – 23 April 2015

DAY ONE
(21 April 2015)

9:30 – 10:00	Registration
INAUGURAL SESSION	
10:00 – 11:00	H.E. Dr. Waleed Al-Wohaib Chief Executive Officer, International Islamic Trade Finance Corporation (ITFC), Chairman Of The IDB Group Trade Related Issues Committee (GTRC)
	H.E. Mr. Yonov Frederick Agah Deputy Director General, World Trade Organization (WTO)
	H.E. Ms. Margareta Davidson-Abdelli Counselor, Swedish Embassy In Cairo. Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA). Kingdom Of Sweden.
	H.E Tan Sri Abdul Rahman Mahmat Asia Logistics Counsel Chairman, Global Coalition For Efficient Logistics (GCEL)
	H.E. Ms. Maha Ali Minister Of Industry, Trade And Supply. Hashemite Kingdom Of Jordan.
11:00 – 11:30	Official Photograph/Press Conference & Coffee Break
SESSION 1 Overview Of The Aid For Trade Initiatives And Current Issues	
11:30 – 12:00	<u>Presentation On The Aid For Trade Initiative : Current Status</u> Ms. Sainabou Taal Aid for Trade, World Trade Organization (WTO)
12:00 – 12:30	<u>Outlook For Global And Regional Aid For Trade Flows</u> Mr. Frans Lammersen Principal Administrator, Organization For Economic Cooperation And Development (OECD)

- * All Presentations Will Be Followed By 10 Minutes Q & A Session.
- * Simultaneous Interpretation Will Be Available In Arabic And English.

12:30 – 13:00	<p><u>Aid For Trade, Strengthening The Private Sector To Increase Supply Capacity</u> Mrs. Lilia Naas Chief, Office Of The Arab States, International Trade Centre (ITC)</p>
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch Break
SESSION 2 Launching Of The Arabic Version Of The Trade Facilitation Implementation Guide	
14:30 – 15:00	<p><u>Launching Of The Arabic Version Of The Trade Facilitation Implementation Guide (TFIG) - Video Conference</u> Mr. Tom Butterly Deputy Director, Economic Cooperation And Trade Division (UNECE)</p>
SESSION 3 IDB Experiences In Reducing Trade Costs	
15:00 – 16:00	<p><u>ITFC's Aid For Trade Activities (Arab "AFTIAS" And "SPECA" Regions)</u> Mr. Lassad Ben Hassine Manager, Africa Office, TCPP, ITFC/Project Manager (AFTIAS)</p>
	<p><u>The Role And Efforts Of The CID Towards Promotion Of Regional Integration</u> Mr. Ali Mahmoud Senior Cooperation Specialist, Cooperation & Integration Department, IDB</p>
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee Break
16:15 – 17:30	<p><u>Trade Facilitation For Inclusive And Sustainable Growth In IDB Member Countries</u> Mr. Imed Drine Senior Economist, Economic Research & Policy Department, IDB</p>
	<p><u>IDB's Interventions To Reduce Trade Costs</u> Dr. Abdelkader Chachi Senior Training Specialist & Economist Researcher, IRTI-IDB</p>
	<p><u>ICD's Programs & Initiatives to Reduce Trade Costs</u> Mr. Osman Buyukmutlu Principle, Strategy Development, ICD</p>

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SESSION 4 Trade Facilitation Agreement	
9:00 – 9:30	<u>Global Tool For Trade Facilitation : WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement</u> H.E Mr. Yonov Frederick Agah Deputy Director General, World Trade Organization (WTO)
SESSION 5 International Organizations Efforts To Address The Issue Of Reducing Trade Costs	
9:30 – 10:30	<u>Addressing Market Access Issues, Removal Of NTMs In MENA Region</u> Mr. Mondher Mamouni Chief, Market Analysis & Research Section, International Trade Centre (ITC)
	<u>Africa Trade Fund : A Tool For Regional Economic Integration Mechanism, Objectives & Implementation</u> Mr. Jean-Guy K. Afrika Senior Trade Expert, African Development Bank (AfDB)
	<u>UNDP Current Efforts And Future Plans In Reducing Trade Costs In MENA Region</u> Mr. WisalHin Project Specialist, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee Break
SESSION 6 Usage of Digitalized Economies For Trade Facilitation	
10:45 – 12:00	<u>GCEL Solution to Reducing Trade Cost: Integrated 4 Dimensional Digital Economy</u> Mr. Gregory Bird Deputy Secretary General, Global Coalition for Efficient Logistics (GCEL)
12:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break

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SESSION 7	
Country Presentations : Government Policies & Programs Aiming At Reducing Trade Cost	
14:00 – 16:00	COUNTRY PRESENTATIONS

DAY THREE

(23 April 2015)

SESSION 8	
Regional Approaches To Addressing The Issue Of Reducing Trade Costs	
09:00–11:00	<p><u>Donor’s Perspective & Views on Addressing Trade Facilitation Issues Within AFTIAS</u></p> <p>Ms. Margareta Davidson-Abdelli Counselor, Swedish Embassy in Cairo. Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA). Kingdom of Sweden.</p>
	<p><u>How To Secure More Funding For Regional Trade Facilitation Programs : Aligning Donors’ Priorities, Perspectives</u></p> <p>Mr. Frans Lammersen Principal Administrator, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)</p>
	<p><u>Agadir Technical Unit’s Efforts In Facilitating Trade In And Across Its Member States</u></p> <p>Mr. Mohamed Samir Commercial Relations Manager, ATU</p>
11:00 - 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 - 12:30	<p><u>Preparation & Presentation Of The Rapporteurs Report</u></p> <p>IDB Group / WTO</p>
CLOSING SESSION	
12:30 - 13:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evaluation Of The Seminar; - Closing Remarks By The Participating Member Countries, Regional And International Organizations And The ITFC.
13:30 -	Lunch

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