

Civil Society Consultative Forum on Doha Development Agenda in Preparation for LDC and WTO Ministerial Conferences, 2005

CUTS-ARC (live to CUTS site) in collaboration with partner organisations held the *Pre-Hong Kong LDC Civil Society Consultative Forum* from the 23 - 25 June 2005 in Livingstone, Zambia. Participants discussed issues of trade and development, and took the opportunity to communicate to the ministers their views on LDC countries concerns and positions on trade negotiations in the WTO and regional trade agreements.

Programme

Wednesday - 23rd June

LDC Positions in the World Trade Organisation-AoA
James Chansa, CUTS-ARC

LDCS and the Global Trading System

LDCs and Trade in Commodities
Muthoni Muriu, Oxfam International

Perspectives on the role of trade in alleviating poverty within the context of the developmental and policy imperatives of Southern Africa
G Ndirangu, Oxfam GB

Trade Development and Poverty Reduction

Trade, development and poverty: a Millennium Development Goals (MDG)
Venkatesh Seshamani, University of Zambia

Towards Achieving the Millennium Development Goals in Southern Africa
Sanusha Naidu (co-authored by Ben Roberts) HSRC, South Africa

Thursday - 24th June

TRIPS and Public Health Issues

Experience and Practical Issues for LDCs in Utilising flexibility under TRIPs and WTO in Addressing Public Health Emergencies
Wole Olaleye, Action Aid
(Paper to follow)

TRIPS and Public Health Issues: An Assessment
Gichinga Ndirangu, Oxfam International
(Paper to follow)

Non Agricultural Market Access Issues and Trade Facilitation

Negotiations on the Financial Market Accessibility by LDCs in the WTO DOHA Development Agenda: Problems and Prospects
Godwill Wanga, Daima Associates, Tanzania

Trade Facilitation
Nkululeko Khumalo, SAHA, South Africa
(Paper to follow)

Trade and Environment Linkages and Implications for Sustainable Development
Michelle Pressend, Insitute for Global Dialogue, South Africa

Other

Stakeholder Feedback on TDP Initiatives in ESA: Key Messages and Possible Way Forward - A CSO Perspective
Alex Werth, Advisor Trade & Sustainable Development/CUTS