

BREAKOUT SESSION | 25 JUNE, 2.30-4.00 PM

## TOWARDS A MULTILATERAL CONSENSUS ON TRADE AND INVESTMENT

BALI AND BEYOND

### CONTEXT



Balanced and fair trade and investment rules are a pre-requisite to a balanced world economy characterised by substantially reduced poverty, job creation, and access to essential services.

However, development of such rules requires inputs from, participation of, and ownership by all relevant stakeholders. These include governments, international organisations (e.g. the WTO and UNCTAD), CSOs including those representing the grassroots, private sector including SMEs, and parliamentarians. Often these stakeholders work in their respective silos – a situation that must be reversed by encouraging and organising multi-stakeholder discussions. This is urgent as the preparations for the 9th WTO Ministerial Conference to be held in Bali, Indonesia in December 2013 pick gears which will be an important occasion to shape a multilateral Consensus for balanced and fair multilateralism.

### OBJECTIVE

Bring together many relevant stakeholders to discuss a multilateral Consensus on Trade and Investment that will lead to a balanced world economy in the long term while guiding preparations for Bali Ministerial in the immediate term.

### KEY QUESTIONS

- ▶ What can be the main features of a multilateral Consensus on Trade and Investment?
- ▶ How to bring all relevant stakeholders together?
- ▶ What should Bali deliver for a balanced world economy?

### SPEAKERS

H.E. Mrs Paivi Kairamo (Finland), Mr Lucas Saronga (Tanzania), Mr Shishir Priyadarshi (WTO), Anja von Moltke (UNEP), Nathalie Bernasconi-Osterwalder (IISD - tbc)

### DETAILS

**Date:** Tuesday 25 June, 2013

**Time:** 2.30 to 4.00 PM

**Venue:** UNCTAD, Palais des Nations, Geneva

### REGISTER

Registration is required to attend,  
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