



tralac Annual Conference

6 & 7 April 2017

The Table Bay Hotel, V&A Waterfront, Cape Town, South Africa

International Trade Governance - *quo vadis?*

Day 1 • Thursday, 6 April 2017

08:15 – 08:45	Registration
08:45 – 09:30	<p>Welcome remarks: Trudi Hartzenberg, tralac</p> <p>Opening Address: H.E. Albert Mudenda Muchanga, Commissioner Trade and Industry, African Union Commission</p>
09:30 – 11:00	<p>Session 1: Global Trade Policy and Geopolitical developments From Brexit to Trumponomics, and New African partnerships with the North</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gerhard Erasmus, tralac Associate - Ron Sandrey, tralac Associate - Sanusha Naidoo, Department of Political Studies, University of Cape Town
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>
11:30 – 13:00	<p>Session 2: Tripartite Free Trade Area and Continental Free Trade Area Lesson from the Tripartite FTA for the CFTA How is the CFTA shaping up?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prudence Sebahizi, Chief Technical advisor on the CFTA & Head of the CFTA Unit, African Union Commission - Gerhard Erasmus, tralac Associate
13:00- 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Session 3: Southern African regional developments - select review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SADC: industrial strategy (Nigel Gwynne-Evans, DTI, South Africa) - SACU: post-2016 Retreat agenda (Anton Faul, SACU Secretariat) - EAC: Mutual recognition agreements and SADC services agenda (Viola Sawere, SADC Secretariat) - SADC: Update on trade in services negotiations (Malcolm McKinnon, SADC Secretariat) - COMESA: Dispute resolution and arbitration developments (Hon Lady Justice Lombe Chibesakunda, Judge President, COMESA Court of Justice)
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>

16:00 – 17:00	Session 4: Keynote Address - Minister of Trade and Industry, South Africa Honourable Rob Davies
19.30	<i>Conference Dinner</i> <i>Speaker: Jacques Blom, React Technology</i> <i>Poster Session: Presentations - trade-related case studies from Africa</i>
Day 2 • Friday, 7 April 2017	
08:00 – 08:30	Tea/coffee
08:30 – 09:30	Session 5: WTO Matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Trade Facilitation Agreement enters into force – implications for Africa? (Inye Nathan Briggs, African Development Bank) - Preparing for Buenos Aires: what can we expect at the Ministerial Conference?
09:30 – 11:00	Session 6: South Africa: trade and broader political economy matters – implications for Africa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carol Paton, Deputy Editor, Business Day, South Africa - Michael Lawrence, National Clothing Retailers Foundation and National Economic, Development and Labour Council (Trade Committee), South Africa - Elizabeth van Reenen, Department of Trade and Industry, South Africa
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>
11:30 – 13:00	Session 7: International trade governance – where to in 2017? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - David Luke, African Trade Policy Centre, UNECA - Tom Pengelly, External Secretariat, All Party Parliamentary Group on Trade Out of Poverty, Westminster, United Kingdom - Eva Bursvik, Counsellor -Trade and Economic Integration, Swedish Embassy, Lusaka - tralac team
13:00	Close and Lunch



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