

4th WTD Aid for Trade Review

Aid for Trade, Regional/Global Value Chains and the Role of Trilateral Development Cooperation

CONTEXT

Aid for Trade has become crucial for developing countries and especially LDCs to increase their participation in global trade. Helping these countries to overcome their infrastructural and administrative limitation that prevent them to reap benefits from trade should be fostered. One possible way is the development of regional value chain, and incrementally linking those with the global value chain, increasing by the same way benefit-sharing among participating countries.

Here stands a huge potential for maximum efficiency in production. Meanwhile, a better cooperation among development's stakeholders in regional Aid for Trade could be fostered through Trilateral Development, which aims cooperation between a wide range of stakeholders. This approach rely on the idea that the more concerted and streamlined the Aid is provided, the more effective Trade will be.

KEY ISSUES THAT WILL BE DISCUSSED

- Review of several Regional Value Chain and their links with the Global Value chain
- Review of relevant Aid for Trade initiatives
- Critical analysis of the role of Aid for Trade in Regional Value Chain
- Discussion on ideal Trilateral Development model

Speakers

- Mrs. Mina Mashayekhi, UNCTAD
- Mr. Zhu Hong, Permanent Mission of China to the WTO (invited)
- Dr. Mohammad Razzaque, Commonwealth Secretariat
- Dr. Ratnakar Adhikari, SAWTEE

Moderator

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Details:

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