



The South in the Global Economic Crisis and Reviewing Multilateral Negotiations

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Geneva, Switzerland

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME DAY 1 – 31 JANUARY 2013

1000-1120	<p>Opening Session Chair: Mr. Martin Khor, Executive Director, South Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. former Tanzania President Benjamin W. Mkapa, Chairperson, South Centre Board • H.E. Ambassador Peter Thomson (Fiji), Chair, Group of 77 and China; Permanent Representative of Fiji to the United Nations in New York • H.E. Ambassador Miguel Carbo Benites (Ecuador), Chair, Group of 77 and China (Geneva chapter); Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the World Trade Organization and UNCTAD • Dr Noeleen Heyzer, Under Secretary-General, United Nations; and Executive Secretary, UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
1120-1300	<p>Current Global Economic Crisis and Challenges Facing Developing Countries Chair: H.E. former Tanzania President Benjamin W. Mkapa, Chairperson, South Centre Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaker: Dr. Yilmaz Akyuz, Chief Economist, South Centre • Comments by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ H.E. Ambassador Dilip Sinha, Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva ○ Dr. Rubens Ricupero, Dean, Faculty of Economics and International Relations, Armando Alvares Penteado Foundation, Brazil
1300-1430	LUNCH
1430-1530	<p>Africa and the global crisis Chair: Dr. Youba Sokona, Vice-Chair (Working Group III), Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change; Board Member, South Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Charles Soludo, Member, Board of South Centre and former Governor, Central Bank, Nigeria • Dr. Yao Graham, Executive Director, Third World Network Africa, Ghana
1530-1630	<p>Asia and the global crisis Chair: Dr. Deepak Nayyar, Professor of Economics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India; Vice Chairman, South Centre Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Nagesh Kumar, Chief Economist and the Director, South Asia Office, UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific • Dr. Michael Lim Mah Hui, Member, Municipal Council of Penang; Regional Adviser on Finance Issues, South Centre
1630-1730	<p>Latin America and the Caribbean and the global crisis Chair: H.E. Ambassador Marion Vernese Williams, Permanent Representative of Barbados to the United Nations in Geneva</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Ambassador Alberto Pedro D'Alotto, Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva • Dr. Humberto Campodonico, President, PetroPeru; and Faculty of Economics, Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos, Peru

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930-1130	<p>WTO and the Multilateral Trade System: The Fate of Doha, the Agenda Bali Ministerial and Beyond Chair: Mr. Martin Khor, Executive Director, South Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Rubens Ricupero, Member, Board of South Centre and Dean, Faculty of Economics and International Relations, Armando Alvares Penteado Foundation, Brazil • Amb. Srinivasan Narayanan, Former Indian Ambassador to the WTO; Honorary Visiting faculty, Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad, India • H.E. Ambassador Faizel Ismail, Permanent Representative of South Africa to the World Trade Organization • Mr. Lucas Saronga, Permanent Representative a.i. of Tanzania to the World Trade Organization
1130-1300	<p>Development Impacts of Bilateral Trade Agreements and Bilateral Investment Treaties Chair: Mr. Martin Khor, Executive Director, South Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Norman Girvan, Professor Emeritus, University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago; former Secretary General, Association of Caribbean States • Ms. Aileen Kwa, Coordinator, Trade and Development Programme, South Centre on recent developments in the EPAs on African development • Ms. Sanya Reid Smith, Legal Adviser, Third World Network, on Impacts of Investment Agreements on Development Policy Space
1300-1430	LUNCH
1430-1700	<p>Climate change, Biodiversity, Sustainable Development Goals, the Post RioPlus20 process, and the UN Post-2015 development agenda Chair: Ms. Chee Yoke Ling, Director, Third World Network</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Deepak Nayyar, Professor of Economics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India; Vice Chairman, South Centre Board; on the Post-2015 Development Agendas • Dr. Youba Sokona, Vice-Chair (Working Group III), Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change; on the Sustainable Development Agenda • Mr. Martin Khor, Executive Director, South Centre; on the future of the post-Rio plus 20 negotiations and the post-2015 development agenda • Mr. Vicente Paolo Yu III, Programme Coordinator, South Centre; on the results of the UNFCCC Doha negotiations and their implications for developing countries • Dr. Gurdial Singh Nijar, Director, Centre of Excellence for Biodiversity Law, University of Malaya, Malaysia; on the latest developments in the Convention on Biological Diversity
1700-1720	<p>Closing Session Chair: Mr. Martin Khor, Executive Director</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. former Tanzania President Benjamin W. Mkapa, Chairperson, South Centre Board • H.E. Ambassador Peter Thomson (Fiji), Chair, Group of 77 and China; Permanent Representative of Fiji to the United Nations in New York • Dr Noeleen Heyzer, Under Secretary-General, United Nations; and Executive Secretary, UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific