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### The UNCTAD Trade and Development Report 2023-2024: Challenges and Opportunities for fiscal space and economic diversification

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#### PROGRAMME

| Geneva, Palais des Nations |  | Room XXIV |
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| 10:00 - 10:15              | Welcome address, Mr. Angel Gonzalez, Head, Technology, Innovation and Knowledge Development Branch, ia Director of Division, UNCTAD.<br><br>Moderator, Ms. Randa Jamal, Economic Affairs Officer, Policy Capacity Building Section/P166, Technology, Innovation, and Knowledge Development Branch-DTL, UNCTAD  |           |
| 10:15 - 11:15              | <b>Session 1 – UNCTAD Trade and Development Report 2024: The macroeconomics of discontent</b><br>This session will focus mostly on the findings of Trade and Development Report 2024, chapter I, covering the latest on the global economy, along with analysis and data on the state of the world economy and current developments. The session will also provide analyses on the global growth prospects and the evolution of inequality as well as policy recommendations.<br><br>Presented by Mr. Cambiz Daneshvar, Economic Affairs Officer, Macroeconomic and Development Policies Branch, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD<br><br>Q&A   |           |
| 11:15 - 11:30              | <b>Break</b>   |           |
| 11:30 - 13:00              | <b>Session 2 – Recent evolutions in international markets and related policy recommendations from UNCTAD</b><br>This session will review the recent evolutions of key international markets, including trade in manufactured products, services, primary commodities and financial assets. It will also focus on lessons learned on global integration and development strategies, including a special emphasis on the plausible need to look beyond manufacturing-led exports in an era of subdued merchandise trade and rapid digital progresses to enable the creation of quality jobs in the services sectors, including in non-tradable services. A set of transformational proposals that UNCTAD has laid out to reduce the costs of development financing and diminish sovereign debt vulnerabilities in developing countries, along the five stages of the debt life cycle, will also be discussed.<br><br>Presented by Mr. Nicolas Maystre, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Macroeconomic and Development Policies Branch, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD<br><br>Q&A |           |

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The annual Trade and Development Report provides the latest on the global economy, offering analysis and data on the state of the world economy and current developments. Through UNCTAD's lens, the Report analyses conditions of global growth, trends in international trade and in key markets, evaluating growth prospects, financial and fiscal constraints and policies to safeguard policy space in developing economies.

The second session will present TDR analysis of global trends, focusing on lessons on global integration stemming from the Global South. This session will concentrate on responses to crises, building economic resilience, strategies for enhancing productive capacities, adding value, and promoting economic diversification.

By the end of the short course, Geneva-based delegates are expected to gain knowledge on:

- Current trends in the global economy, international trade and key global markets
- A deeper understanding of shifts in global integration and governance of policy space
- Strategies for building resilience and crisis response
- Approaches to enhancing productive capacities, adding value, and promoting economic diversification that center on equitable and sustainable development.