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and dynamic sectors of world trade: The South–South dimension
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Item 2 of the provisional agenda

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND ANNOTATIONS

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA *

1. Election of officers
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
3. Dynamic and new sectors of world trade: The South–South dimension
4. Adoption of the report of the meeting

* This document was submitted on the above-mentioned date as a result of processing delays.

II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1. Election of officers

1. It is recommended that the expert meeting elect a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson-cum-Rapporteur.

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

2. The provisional agenda for the expert meeting is reproduced in section I above. A detailed programme will be available one week before the meeting.

Documentation

TD/B/COM.1/EM.34/1 Provisional agenda and annotations

Item 3. Dynamic and new sectors of world trade: The South–South dimension

3. The expert meeting aims to elucidate: (a) new and dynamic sectors of trade globally (in the world and within the South), regionally and locally (for developing countries); (b) what those new and dynamic sectors among the South show with respect to the growing importance of the South in the international economic landscape; (c) how entering into new and dynamic sectors could ultimately lead to meeting a country's long-term development goals; and (d) interaction between growth of new and dynamic sectors and trade networking among the South via bilateral, regional and inter-regional trade agreements, economic cooperation, evolution of new global value chains, and a trade–investment–technology transfer nexus.

4. The UNCTAD secretariat will present a background note to facilitate discussions.

Documentation

TD/B/COM.1/EM.34/2 Background document

Item 4. Adoption of the report of the meeting

5. The report of the expert meeting will be submitted to the Commission on Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities at its next session. The expert meeting may wish to authorize the Rapporteur, under the authority of the Chairperson, to prepare the final report after the conclusion of the meeting.
