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# Leveraging Commodities for Sustainable Economic Development

10:00 am – 1:00 pm (New York Time/EST)  
10 October 2023

**UN Headquarters New York, Conference Room 2**

## Programme

### 10:00 - 10:10 am Opening Session

- H.E. Mr. Carlos Amorín, Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the United Nations, Chair of the Second Committee of the United Nations General Assembly
- H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations and President of the Economic and Social Council

### 10:10 – 10:30 Keynote Statement

- Joseph Stiglitz, University Professor, Columbia University and Initiative for Policy Dialogue founder and co-president

### 10:30 - 11:00 am

#### **Panel 1: Commodity-dependence and sustainable economic development - voices from the field**

Moderator: Mr. Juan José Martínez Badillo, Chief, UNCTAD New York Office

#### **Country representatives' perspectives:**

- H.E. Mr. Chola Milambo, Permanent Representative of Zambia to the United Nations
- H.E. Ms. Arlene Beth Tickner, Deputy Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations
- Mr. Rafael Dubeux, Advisor to Brazil's Minister of Finance
- H.E. Mr. Tri Tharyat, General Director for Multilateral Cooperation of Indonesia

### 11:00 - 11:45 am

#### **Panel 2: Leveraging commodities for sustainable economic development - expert panel perspective**

Moderator: Ms. Mariangela Parra-Lancourt, Chief, Strategic Engagement and Policy Integration Branch, Financing for Development Office, UN DESA



### Expert panel perspectives

- H.E. Ambassador Sheikh Mohammed Belal, Managing Director, Common Fund for Commodities
- Ms. Miho Shirotori, Director, UNCTAD Division on International Trade and Commodities
- Dr. Lynda Pickbourn, Professor, University of Massachusetts, Amherst and Mount Holyoke College
- Mr. Tawanda Mutasah, VP of Global Programs, Oxfam America
- Dr. Amir Lebdioui, Professor, Oxford University

### 11:45 am - 12:45 pm

#### Interactive dialogue and responses from the floor

- Intervention by Member States and questions to the panel of experts

### 12:45 - 1:00 pm

#### Closing remarks

- Ms. Shari Spiegel, Director, Financing for Sustainable Development Office, UN DESA
- H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations and President of the Economic and Social Council
- H.E. Mr. Carlos Amorín, Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the United Nations, Chair of the Second Committee of the United Nations General Assembly