
PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE ON THE WTO

Geneva, 17-18 February 2003

Organised jointly by the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the European Parliament

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF THE CONFERENCE

Sunday, 16 February

- 9.30 a.m. - 7 p.m. *Registration of participants*
3 - 6.30 p.m. *Pre-Conference session of the Steering Committee (in camera meeting)*

Monday, 17 February

- 8 a.m. - 6.30 p.m. *Registration of participants*
9.30 - 10 a.m. *Inaugural session*
10.15 a.m. - 1 p.m. *Working session*
- Adoption of the agenda and other organisational issues**
- Substantive theme (a) Access to markets***
Rapporteur
• Mr. Ildefonso Guajardo Villarreal, MP (Mexico)
Discussants
• Mr. Paul Rübig, Member of the European Parliament
• Ambassador M. Supperamaniam, Permanent Representative of Malaysia to WTO
- 1 - 2.30 p.m. *Lunch break*
2.30 p.m. *Continuation of the debate on substantive theme (a), followed by*
- Substantive theme (b) Development dimension of the multilateral trading system***
Rapporteur
• Mr. Robert Haydn Davis, MP (South Africa)
Discussants
• Ms. Concepció Ferrer, Member of the European Parliament
• Ambassador Nathan Irumba, Permanent Representative of Uganda to WTO
- 5 p.m. **Interactive panel discussion: The need for a coherent policy framework of technical assistance and capacity-building**
Moderator
• Dr. Jean-Pierre Lehmann, Professor of International Political Economy, Director of Evian Group
Panellists
• Mr. Kipkorir Aly Azad Rana, WTO Deputy Director-General
• Ambassador Carlo Trojan, Permanent Representative of the European Commission to the WTO
• Mr. Faizel Ismail, Head of the South African delegation to the WTO
• Ms. Haleh Bridih, General Manager, World Bank Office, Paris
• Ms. Mina Mashayekhi, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

6.45 p.m.	<i>Reception</i>
8 - 10 p.m.	<i>Steering Committee (in camera meeting)</i>

Tuesday, 18 February

9.30 a.m.	<i>Continuation of the debate on substantive theme (b)</i>
1 - 2.30 p.m.	<i>Lunch break</i>
2.30 p.m.	<i>Continuation of the debate on substantive theme (b), followed by</i>
<i>Substantive theme (c)</i>	Options for a parliamentary dimension of the WTO
	<u>Rapporteur</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Kobsak Chutikul, MP (Thailand)
	<u>Discussants</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Erika Mann, Member of the European Parliament• Baroness Hooper, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe• Mr. Ney Lopes de Souza, MP (Brazil) President of the Latin American Parliament
6 - 6.30 p.m.	<i>Closing session</i>
	Adoption of the Final Declaration
	<u>Rapporteur</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Erika Mann, Member of the European Parliament