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IMPACT OF GLOBALISATION ON TRANSPORT, LOGISTICS AND TRADE

**Provisional Agenda of the Joint Conference
of the Inland Transport Committee and Committee on Trade**

to be held on Tuesday, 24 February 2009 from 15.00 to 18.00

United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
Joint Trade and Transport Conference on the Impact of
Globalization on Transport, Logistics and Trade: The UNECE Work

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Draft Programme

Room XII, Palais des Nations, 24 February 2009, 15.00-18.00

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15.00-15.20 Opening and Welcome

- Chairman of the Commission: Ambassador A. Van Meeuwen, Permanent Representative of Belgium
- Executive Secretary of UNECE: Mr. Jan Kubis
- Mrs. Eva Molnar, Director, UNECE Transport Division
- Mrs. Virginia Cram-Martos, Director, UNECE Trade Division
- Guest of honour: Mr. Zoltan Kazatsay, Deputy Director General of DG TREN, on the partnership between the EU and UNECE

15.20-15.35 Keynote Speech

Major changes in global trade and transport affecting the UNECE countries
Dr. Jozsef Pàlfalvi - Institute for Transport Sciences (KTI), Budapest, Hungary

15.35-16.40 I. Global Supply Chain Competitiveness Initiative to Capture Logistics Competitiveness Moderator: Mr. Alain Rathery, ITF Deputy Secretary General

Supply chain challenges for national competitiveness through transport

- **Mr. Miodrag Pesut** - Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Division, UNECE

Demand for e-tools in transport and trade

- **Mr. Louis Kuhnen** - TAXUD, EU Commission
- **Mr. Marco Sorgetti** – Secretary General, CLECAT
- **Mr. Peter Krausz** - Goods Transport & Facilitation, IRU

Trade facilitation and supply chain competitiveness

- **Mr. Malcolm McKinnon** – Chief Executive, SITPRO

Discussion

16.40-17.50

II. Trade and Transport Facilitation with a Focus on Border Crossing Facilitation

Moderator: Mr. Mike Doran, Vice-Chairman, UN/CEFACT

The Harmonization Convention and measuring of the border crossing performance

- Mr. Michel Zarnowiecki – Former Economic Officer, The World Bank

Single window recommendations and experience on the ground

- Mr. Mats Wicktor - Director Change Management, Swedish Customs

Facilitation of legal trade, fight against illegal trade

- Transport and Security - Mr. Eric Stewart - Strategic Advisor, U.S. Chamber of Commerce
- The challenge of counterfeited products - Mr. Ronald W. M. Brohm - Director, SNB-REACT, NL

Discussion

17.50 – 18.00

Concluding Remarks

- Mr. Rob Van Kuik - Chairman of the Trade Committee, Ministry of Finance, The Netherlands
- Mr. Ralph Kellermann - Chairman of the Inland Transport Committee, Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations in Geneva