Benin Conference High-Level Panel Event: “Leveraging LDC agricultural potential through productive partnerships: new business models in science, innovation and market access”

Date: 29 July 2014
Time: 8.30 -10.00 am
Venue: Conference Centre, Laguona Room 1, Cotonou, Benin

8:30 – 8:45 am: Opening Session:
- 8:30-8:40 Welcome Remarks - HE Ms.Naomie Azaria Honhoui : Minister of Industry, Trade and Small and Medium Enterprises
- 8:40-8:45 Goodwill Message - Mr Abdoulaye Mar Dieye, Assistant Administrator and Director, UNDP Regional Bureau for Africa

8:45-9:25 Panel Discussions (Max 40 Minutes)

Moderator: Ms. Amanda Ellis, Head of Mission, Ambassador and PR to the UN NZ Permanent Mission, Geneva

Panelists: [Each panelist to speak for 5 minutes]

1. Prof. Stephen Goldson - Strategy Advisor to the Office of the Prime Minister’s Chief Science Advisor, New Zealand
2. His Excellency Hon. Mr. David Tosul, Minister for Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries, Livestock & Biosecurity, Vanuatu
3. Mr. Jean-Baptiste Satchivi, President of Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Benin
4. Ms. Karen L. Mapusua, Coordinating Officer, Pacific Organic Ethical Trade Committee (POETCom) Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Samoa
5. Mr. Moussa Seck, Chairman, Pan-African Agriculture and Agribusiness Consortium (PanAAC), Kenya
6. Mr. David Sellars, Genetics Consultant, Livestock Improvement Corporation (LIC), New Zealand
7. Ms. Gladys Tawema, Karethic Bénin Sarl, Benin

9:25-9:55 Floor Discussions and Q&A

9:55-10:00 Closing Remarks: ITC – Arancha Gonzalez, Executive Director, International Trade Centre.