



Expert Group Meeting on Financing Infrastructure Development for enhanced integration of the LLDCs into global trade

**Conference Room 11 in the Secretariat Building
United Nations Headquarters, New York**

4 and 5 October 2017

PROGRAMME OF WORK

DAY 1 – Wednesday, 4 October 2017

3:00 pm -3:15 pm	<p>Welcome and introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Fekitamoeloa Katoa ‘Utoikamanu, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States.
3:15 pm – 4:45 pm	<p><u>Session 1. Overview on Trends in infrastructure funding</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transport sector Infrastructure at borders/ports Energy sector ICT sector Regional perspectives Discussants <p>Interactive Discussion</p>
4:45 pm – 6:00 pm	<p><u>Session 2. Enhancing of Domestic Funding for Infrastructure Development - government spending, cost recovery and management of public utilities, domestic capital markets, national banks</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DESA FFD Office Regional perspectives National perspectives by the LLDCs <p>Interactive Discussion</p>



DAY 2 – Thursday, 5 October 2017

10:00 am – 11:30 am	<p><u>Session 3. Enhancing use of ODA/Aid for Trade and South-South Cooperation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OECD • WTO • Office of South-South Cooperation • China • Discussants <p>Interactive Discussion</p>
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	<p><u>Session 4. Optimizing financing from Multi-lateral and regional Development Banks as well as private sector financing for infrastructure development, including Public-Private-Partnerships</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Bank Group • Regional Development Banks • Private sector <p>Interactive Discussion</p>
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	<p>LUNCH BREAK</p>
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<p><u>Session 5. Enhancing the ability of the LLDCs to access international and regional funds and facilities (including climate financing) and other innovative sources of financing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Bank Group • Regional Banks • Discussants <p>Interactive Discussion</p>
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	<p><u>Session 7. Way Forward, Recommendations and Closing</u></p> <p>Presentation of Summary of Discussions</p> <p>Closing</p>