**WTO - Virtual Workshop on Trade and Environment - ECOWAS:**

***Key topics and recent developments on the T&E Nexus***

**Draft Programme**

16-17 March 2022 (rev 21.02.2022)

Plate form: to be provided by Ecowas.

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| **Wednesday, 16 March 2022** |
| 14:00 – 14:15 (Geneva Time) | **Opening:** Welcome participants and scoping interests:- Commissioner for Trade, Customs & Free movement, (Names Tbc).  - Commissioner for Environment, Agriculture and Natural resources (Names Tbc). |
| 14:15 - 14:45 | **Session 1:** *Speaker ECOWAS (name to be confirmed)*- ECOWAS' main orientations on climate change.- Discussion/Q&A |
| 14:45 – 16:00 | **Session 2:** *Mr Daniel Ramos, Legal Officer, Trade and Environment Division, WTO*- Unpacking the relationship between trade and sustainability: challenges and opportunities for developing countries.- Discussion/Q&A |
| **Thursday, 17 March 2022** |
| 14:00 – 15:30 (Geneva time) | **Session 3:** *Mr Daniel Ramos, Legal Officer, Trade and Environment Division, WTO*- Environmental Policies and Trade: Avoiding green protectionism, ensuring coherence and effectiveness (Main relevant WTO rules).- Discussion/Q&A |
| 15:30 – 15:45 | Break |
| 15:45 – 16:45 | **Session 4:** *Mr Daniel Ramos, Legal Officer, Trade and Environment Division, WTO*- What is the role of the WTO: Recent developments and Ministerial Statements on plastics, fossil fuel subsidy and environmental sustainability.- Discussion/Q&A |
| 16:45 – 17:00 | Closing: - Director of Trade, ECOWAS. - Director of Environment, ECOWAS. |