



Inter-Parliamentary Union
For democracy. For everyone.



Abu Dhabi Session of the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE)
25 February 2024

Organized jointly by the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the European Parliament, with the support of the Federal National Council of the UAE, in connection with the 13th WTO Ministerial Conference (MC13)

PROGRAMME

24 February 2024

09:00 – 12:30	Pre-Conference session of the Steering Committee (<i>in camera</i>)
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 18:00	Steering Committee (<i>in camera</i>): Finalization of the outcome document

25 February 2024

10:00 – 11:00	Inaugural session <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Saqr Ghobash, Speaker of the Federal National Council (FNC) of the United Arab Emirates (UAE)• Mr. Thani bin Ahmed Al Zeyoudi, Minister of State for Foreign Trade, UAE• Mr. Martin Chungong, Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)• Mr. Bernd Lange, Chair of the Committee on International Trade, European Parliament, co-Chair of the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO• Ms. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Director-General of the WTO• Ms. Athaliah Lesiba Molokomme, Chairperson of the WTO General Council
11:00 – 12:30	<i>Abu Dhabi and beyond: Shaping and strengthening a multilateral trading system that delivers for all</i> Interactive dialogue with senior WTO negotiators and officials <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. João Aguiar Machado, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the EU to the WTO• Mr. Djatmiko Wicaksono, Director General, Ministry of Trade, Indonesia• Mr. Juan Antonio Coloma Correa, President of the Senate, Chile <p><u>Moderator:</u> Mr. Bernd Lange, Member of the European Parliament, co-Chair of the Steering Committee, PCWTO</p>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch

- 14:00 – 16:00 Presentation of reports and interactive debate on the substantive themes:
Trade and climate change: A win-win interaction
- Rapporteurs:
- **Ms. Kathleen Van Brempt**, Member of the European Parliament
 - **Mr. Ziya Altunyaldiz**, Member of Parliament, Grand National Assembly, Türkiye
- Moderator: **Mr. Helmut Scholz**, Member of the European Parliament
- 16:00 – 17:30 Discussion: **Digital trade in the era of resilient economies**
- Rapporteurs:
- **Mr. Jörgen Warborn**, Member of the European Parliament
 - **Mr. Cedric Frolick**, Member of Parliament, South Africa
 - **Ms. Meera Al Suwaidi**, Member of the Federal National Council of the UAE
- Moderator: **Mr. Koffi Kra Paulin Kouassi**, Member of the National Assembly, Côte d'Ivoire
- 17:30 – 18:15 **Adoption of the outcome document**
- Presentation of the outcome document to the President of MC13**
- Rapporteur: **Mr. Marwan O. Al Muhairi**, Member of the Federal National Council of the UAE
- Closing remarks:** IPU, European Parliament, WTO and Federal National Council of the UAE
- 18:30 Cocktail reception