



**FOR A FREE, JUST AND EQUITABLE
MULTILATERAL TRADING SYSTEM:
PROVIDING A PARLIAMENTARY DIMENSION**

*Organised by the Inter-Parliamentary Union
Geneva, 8 and 9 June 2001*

DETAILED PROGRAMME OF THE MEETING*

Thursday, 7 June

- 9.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.** *Preparatory Committee (in camera meeting)*
8.30 a.m. - 7 p.m. *Registration of participants*

Friday, 8 June

- 8 a.m. - 6.30 p.m. *Registration of participants*
9.30 - 10.00 a.m. *Inaugural session*
10.15 a.m. - 1 p.m. *Working session*

Adoption of the agenda and other organisational issues

Substantive theme (a): Globalisation from a trade perspective: the role and action of parliament as a relay between government and the people

Keynote speaker:

- Mr. Hernando de Soto, President of the Institute for Liberty and Democracy (Peru)

Panellists:

- Mr. Kimmo Kiljunen, Member of Parliament (Finland)
- Mr. Srinivasan Narayanan, Ambassador, Permanent Representative to WTO (India)

- 2.30 - 6.30 p.m. *Working session*

Presentation by the WTO Director-General, Mr. Mike Moore, followed by a question-and-answer session

Substantive theme (b): WTO and the current international trading system: the role of parliaments in the field of legislation

Keynote speaker:

- Mr. Andrew Stoler, Deputy Director-General of WTO

Panellists:

- Mrs. Maria Beatriz Nofal, MP, Member of the Chamber of Deputies (Argentina)
- Mr. Nacer Benjelloun-Toumi, Ambassador, Permanent Representative to WTO (Morocco)

- 6.45 p.m. *Reception at WTO*

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** The time of the end of the sitting is purely indicative

Saturday, 9 June

9.30 a.m.- 1 p.m. *Working session*

Substantive theme (c): Parliamentary oversight with respect to future trade negotiations, particularly from the development perspective

Keynote speaker:

- Mr. Miguel Rodríguez Mendoza, Deputy Director-General of WTO

Panellists:

- M. Pohele Ya France, MP, member of the National Assembly (Namibia)
- Mr. Sergio Marchi, Ambassador, Permanent Representative to WTO (Canada)

2.30 - 5 p.m.** *Closing session*

Conclusions: The way forward

Keynote speakers:

- Dr. Ahmed Fathy Sorour, MP, Speaker of the National Assembly (Egypt), Honorary President of the IPU Council
- Mr. Celso Luiz Nunes Amorim, Ambassador, Permanent Representative to WTO (Brazil)

Adoption of the Final Document