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PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2015

19.00–21.30 Speakers' dinner

MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2015

08.00–09.00 Registration and breakfast

09.00–10.30 Opening

Welcome remarks and introduction

- **Harold McGraw III**, Chairman, ICC; Chairman, USCIB; Chairman, McGraw Hill Financial
- **Peter Robinson**, President and Chief Executive Officer, United States Council for International Business (USCIB)
- **John Danilovich**, Secretary General, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)

Keynote address

- **Kunio Mikuriya**, Secretary General, World Customs Organization (WCO)
- **Xiaozhun Yi**, Deputy Director General, World Trade Organization (WTO)

10.30–10.45 Coffee Break

10.45–12.00 **Driving implementation of the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement: The way forward**

The historic and WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement agreed in Bali, Indonesia, in December 2013 will reduce costs, increase international trade flows and drive economic growth in developing and developed countries. It is estimated that if trade facilitation measures is fully implemented it could boost the world economy by up to \$1 trillion dollars. This panel will discuss how the Agreement will enhance coordinated border management, the challenges to implementation and the role of donors and the international trade community in ensuring that countries receive proper assistance.

Moderator

- **Jim Bacchus**, Chair, ICC Commission on Trade and Investment Policy; Chair, Global Practice Group, Greenberg Traurig; former Chairman of the WTO Appellate Body; former US Congressman

Panellists

- **Brenda Brockman Smith**, Assistant Commissioner, Office of International Trade, Customs and Border Protection (CBP)
- **Virginia Brown**, Director, Office of Trade and Regulatory Reform, US Agency for International Development (USAID)
- **Evdokia Moïsé**, Senior Trade Policy Analyst, Trade and Agriculture Directorate, Development Division, OECD
- **Sarah Thorn**, Senior Director, International Trade, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

12.00–13.30 Luncheon

- Keynote address and Q&A session

13.30–15.15 Trade logistics and customs regimes: Boosting regional and global supply chains?

This expert panel will highlight the importance of transportation logistics and the impact of customs administrative procedures on regional and global supply chains. As business increasingly utilizes global value chains, efficient customs regimes and smooth logistics are crucial as intermediate goods move across many borders on the way to becoming a final product. The Panel will focus on identifying best practices and possible solutions to supply chain challenges. The discussion will also consider how diverse regulatory regimes undermine efforts to build global value chains that cut across regions.

Moderator

- **Oliver Peltzer**, Vice-Chair, ICC Commission on Customs and Trade Facilitation; Partner, Dabelstein & Passehl

Panellists

- **Umberto de Pretto**, Secretary General, International Road Transport Union (IRU)
- **Ruth Snowden**, Executive Director, CIFFA, International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA)
- **Simon Schofield**, Vice President - European Tax and Corporate Audit, Samsung Electronics
- **Michael Heldebrand**, Principal, EY Global Trade, Ernst & Young LLP
- **Darcy Price**, Director, Value Chain Applications, Oracle

15.15–15.30 Coffee Break

15.30–16.00 ICC Trade Tools: Why do they work so well?

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- **Cindy Duncan**, Senior Vice President Carnet and Trade Services, United States Council for International Business (USCIB)
- **Frank Reynolds**, President, International Projects Inc.

16.00–17.30 Stopping counterfeit goods at the border: What more can be done by business and customs administrations?

Illicit trade, including trade in counterfeit and pirated goods, leads to a significant drain in the global economy, jeopardizes investments in innovation and entails a serious risk to consumer health and safety. Counterfeit and pirated products — including food and beverages, pesticides and medicines — are projected to represent up to 2 % of global GDP by 2015 and serve a dual function for organized criminal groups: as a source of financing for other illegal activities, and as a tool to launder proceeds derived from various other crimes. This panel will exchange ideas and best practices on how the international trade and border and law enforcement agencies can work together to cut down on the flow of illegal and counterfeit goods without hampering legitimate trade flows.

Moderator

- **Jeffrey Hardy**, Director, ICC's Business Action to Stop Counterfeiting and Piracy (BASCAP)

Panellists

- **Lev Kubiak**, Assistant Director International Operations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HIS)
- **Jerry Cook**, Vice President Trade and Government Relations, Hanesbrands
- **William Bullard OBE**, Corporate Relations Director, Diageo WestLAC
- **Denise Coutinho**, Senior Manager, Global Trade Strategy, Global Tax and Customs, Cisco Systems

17.30–19.00 Reception

TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2015

08.30–09.30 Breakfast

Keynote address

- **R. Gil Kerlikowske**, Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

09.30–11.00 **Panama canal expansion: A game changer for global and regional trade**

The Panama Canal Expansion will nearly double the capacity of the Panama Canal by 2016. The panelists will highlight the impact this will have on trade and the challenges it might engender. For example, will the expansion require regulatory changes and investments to increase the absorption capacity of ports? Will it change the way companies do business in the Americas and beyond? Will it impact global trade flows and how?

Moderator

- **John Danilovich**, Secretary General, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)

Panellists

- **Rafael Farromeque**, Senior Specialist, Head of the Logistics Practice for Latin America, Vice Presidency of Infrastructure, Development Bank of Latin America (CAF)
- **Gilbert Lee Sandler**, Founding Member, Sandler Travis and Rosenberg, P.A.
- **Leroy J. Sheffer**, Partner, International Trade Advisory Services

11.00–11.15 Coffee Break

11.15–12.45 **Balancing security and trade facilitation: What's the magic formula?**

Finding the right balance between ensuring security and facilitating trade is a constant challenge for business and governments. Voluntary supply chain security programs, like the U.S. Trusted Trader Program, have a documented process for determining and alleviating risk through their supply chains, which in turn reduces the time needed for customs examinations. The experts on this panel will explore how the international business community can strengthen cooperation between business and Customs administrations through so-called authorized economic operator programs, and other country level partnerships. They will also discuss the benefits of setting Customs de minimis regimes and other tools for a more focused approach to risk assessment and efficient revenue collection that in turn will enhance trade facilitation.

Moderator

- **Norm Schenk**, Chair, ICC Customs and Trade Facilitation Commission; Vice President, Global Customs Policy & Public Affairs, UPS

Panellists

- **Kunio Mikuriya**, Secretary General, World Customs Organization (WCO)
- **R. Gil Kerlikowske**, Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- **Luis Eduardo Lara**, General Administrator for Foreign Trade Audit, Mexican Tax Administration
- **Antoni Esteveordal**, Manager Integration and Trade Sector, Vice-Presidency of Sectors and Knowledge, Inter-American Development Bank
- **Eugene Laney Jr.**, Head of International Trade Affairs, DHL Express USA

12.45–13.00 **Closing Remarks**

- **John Danilovich**, Secretary General, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
- **Peter Robinson**, Chief Executive Officer, United States Council for International Business (USCIB)

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