

***Pre-UNCTAD XI High-level International Meeting of Experts on Sustainable Tourism for Development  
(8-11 March 2004)  
Provisional programme***

	Monday, 8 March 2004	Tuesday, 9 March 2004	Wednesday, 10 March 2004	Thursday, 11 March 2004
<b>9:00 – 10:30</b>	<p>Opening ceremony Election of the Bureau Presentation of the structure of the meeting <i>(Total 30' to 40')</i></p> <p><u>Introductory theme:</u> "Sustainable tourism, a sphere of opportunities for developing countries" <b>Presentation (15' to 20')</b> by the Chairman of UNCTAD's Task Force on Sustainable Tourism for Development</p> <p><i>(followed by a short general discussion)</i></p>	<p><u>Item 2</u> (ctd):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tourism and environment-related standards</li> <li>• Human resource development and institutional capacity development</li> </ul> <p><i>(presentations by UNCTAD staff will be complemented by a country case and followed by a general discussion)</i></p>	<p><u>Item 5:</u></p> <p><b>Round table</b> with selected non-governmental organizations from developed and developing countries: towards new partnerships for sustainable tourism for development</p> <p><i>(followed by a general discussion)</i></p>	<p>Presentation of the set of recommendations</p> <p>Plenary discussion</p> <p style="text-align: center;">***</p> <p>Adoption of the set of recommendations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">***</p> <p>Closing ceremony by 12:30</p>
<b>10:30 – 10:45</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>10:45 – 12:30</b>	<p><u>Item 1:</u> "The role of other international organizations in supporting sustainable tourism for development" <b>Presentations (20' each)</b> by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A representative from the World Tourism Organization</li> <li>• A representative from the International Trade Centre</li> <li>• A representative from the United Nations Environment Programme</li> <li>• A representative from the World Trade Organization</li> </ul> <p><i>(followed by a general discussion)</i></p>	<p><u>Item 3:</u> "Encouraging local entrepreneurial involvement in the tourism economy" <b>Presentations (20' each)</b> by UNCTAD staff on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tourism enterprise development</li> <li>• Tourism-farming linkage</li> <li>• Tourism-cultural activities linkage</li> <li>• Sustainable tourism and gender dimension</li> </ul> <p><i>(followed by a general discussion)</i></p>	<p><u>Item 6:</u> <b>Presentation (20')</b> of UNCTAD's activities on sustainable tourism for development, by the secretariat of the UNCTAD's Task Force on Sustainable Tourism for Development</p> <p><i>(highlights on: the three broad areas of action; the main modalities of action: advisory services, direct technical support, human resource development activities; envisaged partnership with other organizations)</i></p> <p><i>(followed by a general discussion)</i></p>	
<b>12:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>	

<p><b>14:00 – 15:30</b></p>	<p><u>Item 2:</u></p> <p>“Strengthening institutional capacities to support sustainable tourism for development”</p> <p><b>Presentations</b> (20’ each) by UNCTAD staff on :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tourism investment policies</li> </ul> <p><i>(presentations by UNCTAD staff will be complemented by a country case and followed by a general discussion)</i></p>	<p><u>Item 3</u> (ctd):</p> <p><b>Country experience</b> on tourism enterprise development</p> <p><b>Presentation</b> (15’ to 20’) by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A representative from a small island developing State</li> <li>• A representative from an African country</li> <li>• A representative from an Asian country</li> <li>• A representative from a South American country</li> </ul> <p><i>(each presentation 15’ maxi; to be followed by a general discussion to give other delegations an opportunity to participate)</i></p>	<p>Synthesis and drafting of recommendations by the Bureau</p> <p>Visit of the host city for other participants</p>	
<p><b>15:30 – 15:45</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee break</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee break</b></p>		
<p><b>15:45 – 17:00</b></p>	<p><u>Item 2</u> (ctd):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tourism in the framework of national trade policy and multilateral negotiations</li> <li>• Competition policy and tourism development</li> </ul> <p><i>(presentations by UNCTAD staff will be complemented by a country case and followed by a general discussion)</i></p>	<p><u>Item 4:</u></p> <p>“Promoting the use of information and communication technologies in sustainable tourism for development”</p> <p><b>Presentations</b> (20’ each) by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNCTAD staff on e-tourism</li> <li>• A consultant on the e-tourism experience of a less developed region of Portugal</li> <li>• A representative from a selected developing country significantly advanced in e-tourism</li> </ul> <p><i>(followed by a general discussion)</i></p>	<p>Reception <i>(to be confirmed)</i></p>	