

WHICH WAY FORWARD?



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Latin America and Caribbean: move from reactive approach to a proactive agenda

CAPACITY BUILDING

- To advance **own priorities** in international trade agenda built around real development interests of the countries, including improved access to GVC
- Capacity building should not replicate Northern experience. It needs to enable developing countries to make up their own mind about their interests, objective and actions to pursue
- Impacts of trade policies and negotiating strategies in international fora should be rigorously assessed, so that negative impacts can be compensated or mitigated.

Latin America and Caribbean: strengthening of institutions for SD

POLICY COHERENCE

- Assist institutional coordination: difficulties of key institutions and actors responsible for policy coordination due to complexity and interests of many players
- Assist countries in the applying tools and methodologies for assessing the impact of trade policies on different actors and economic agents in the countries, in order to mitigate or compensate the loosing sectors
- Resources for Development Support will be required to finance institutional strengthening and Trade policy impacts

REGIONAL COMMISSIONS ADOPT A JOINT VISION OF THE FUTURE

INFLUENCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF MORE BALANCED GLOBAL INSTITUTIONS

Build among regional commissions a common forward looking assessment of the opportunities and challenges in the global economy for developing countries. A shared view could enable commissions to have a stronger say in the construction of more balanced global institutions. This means

Improving the analytical approach on a multidimensional vision that incorporates economic, social, industrial, environmental and technological dimensions.

Give more attention to education and employment as the keys to improving equity and reducing poverty as part of a comprehensive Sustainable Development strategy.