INTEGRATING THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS IN THE BUSINESS STRATEGIES AND GOVERNANCE OF PORT AUTHORITIES

Interactive Workshop organised by IAPH under the World Ports Sustainability Program in cooperation with UNCTAD, Antwerp Management School and University of Antwerp

UNCTAD Headquarters – Geneva, 19 and 20 March 2019

VENUE

UNCTAD Headquarters
Palais des Nations, 8-14,
Av. de la Paix, 1211 Geneva 10
Room Villa Bocage

SCHEDULE

Tuesday 19 March

10.00 – 13.00 Introductory session: what are the UN SDGs, why and how should companies integrate them in their business strategies and governance, where do port authorities fit in?

Welcome by Patrick Verhoeven, Managing Director IAPH and Coordinator WPSP

The UN SDG framework and its application to trade, logistics and shipping
Wayne Visser (Professor of Sustainability, Antwerp Management School)
Jan Hofmann (Chief Trade Logistics Branch, UNCTAD)
Ignace Beguin Billecocq (Manager Action Platform for Sustainable Ocean Business, UN Global Compact)

The customer and banking perspective
Bud Darr (Executive Vice President Maritime Policy and Government Affairs, Mediterranean Shipping Company)
Wilfried Remans (Director CSR & Public Affairs, BNP Paribas Fortis)

Where do port authorities fit in?
Thierry Vanselslander (Professor of Port Economics & Business, University of Antwerp)
Antonis Michail (Technical Director, World Ports Sustainability Program)

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
14.00 – 17.00 First part interactive workshop

The interactive workshop will feature an in-depth assessment of each of the 17 SDGs and the actions port authorities can undertake to integrate them in their business strategies and governance. In addition, the workshop will seek to identify indicators to measure the sustainability performance of port authorities. Delegates will receive a short survey in advance of the workshop to indicate which SDGs are relevant to them and which actions they are already undertaking. The workshop will be structured along the five themes identified in the World Ports Sustainability Program (www.sustainableworldports.org).

19.00 – 22.00 Reception and dinner hosted by IAPH

Venue to be confirmed

Wednesday 20 March

09.00 – 12.00 Second part interactive workshop

12.00 – 13.00 Conclusions and way forward

Apart from identifying best practices, the workshop aims to set out concrete actions and tools to assist port authorities worldwide in integrating the UN SDGs in their business strategies and governance. In addition, the workshop wants to identify indicators on the sustainability performance of port authorities and set out a baseline for global reporting.

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 17.00 Networking opportunity

Delegates can make use of the event to organise bilateral meetings with other delegates. A list of participants will be made available after the registration closing date.

REGISTRATION

Delegates are invited to register before 10 February 2019 by completing this Doodle link.

If for some reason you cannot access the Doodle app, please send a confirmation email to Ms. Fabienne Van Loo at WPSP: fabienne.vanloo@sustainableworldports.org. Please indicate whether you will attend a) the introductory session on 19 March AM, b) the workshop sessions on 19 March PM and 20 March AM; c) the dinner on 19 March and d) the networking opportunity on 20 March.

To keep the workshop as interactive as possible the number of delegates is limited. Registrations will be handled on a first come, first serve basis, but considering a balanced representation between the six world regions represented in IAPH.
HOTELS

The following hotels are in the vicinity of the UNCTAD headquarters. Delegates are requested to make their own bookings by sending an email, mentioning that you are attending a UN meeting in order to obtain a special rate.

Mon Repos Hotel (15 mins. walk to the UN)
131 Rue de Lausanne
1202 Geneva
Tel: +41 22 909 39 09
Email: reservations@hmrge.ch
https://hotelmonrepos.ch/contact/
Average price: 211 CHF/night

Novotel Geneva Centre (15 mins. walk to the UN)
19 Rue de Zurich
1202 Geneva
Tel: +41 22 909 9000
Email: H3133@accor.com
Average price: 243 CHF/night

Intercontinental Hotel (5-10 mins. walk to the UN)
Chemin du Petit-Saconnex 7-9
1209 Geneva
Tel: +41 22 919 39 39
https://geneva-intercontinental.com/#
Average price: 320 CHF/night

Hotel Le Montbrillant (near the station, there is a bus to UN which takes about 10 mins.)
Rue de Montbrillant 2
1201 Geneva
Tel: +41 22 733 77 84
Average price: 186 CHF/night

Hotel Eden (there is a tram going directly to the UN which takes about 10 mins.)
Rue de Lausanne 135
1202 Geneva
Tel: +44 22 716 37 00
http://www.eden.ch
Email: eden@eden.ch
Average price: 220 CHF/night

VISA

Delegates needing a Visa to enter Switzerland can send an email to Ms. Virgina Bregger at UNCTAD (virginia.bregger@unctad.org) with Ms. Fabienne Van Loo at WPSP in copy (fabienne.vanloo@sustainableworldports.org) to obtain a letter of invitation.
TRAVELLING TO AND IN GENEVA

How to reach Geneva by air

Geneva airport is served by almost all European carriers as well as a few daily trans-Atlantic flights. Swiss International Airlines serves Geneva more frequently than any other airlines.

Geneva has become a hub for the low-cost Easyjet serving a number of destinations in Europe including Amsterdam, Barcelona, Berlin, Edinburgh, London, Madrid, Manchester and Paris. Other international airlines flying into Geneva include Air France & British Airways.

How to get to the meeting from your hotel

Geneva has an excellent public transport network: tram, train and bus are the best options to get to the UN building. Taxis are not allowed to enter the grounds of the Palais des Nations; visitors should therefore be dropped off at the indicated entrance gates (Pregny gate). Furthermore, luggage may not be brought into the buildings unless the Security Service gives special clearance.

The main entrance is the Pregny Gate, the closest bus stop is “Appia”. You can take the bus number 8 (direction OMS) from the Cornavin Main Station (Gare Cornavin). Other option is taking the Tram 15 (direction Nations) getting off at Nations Station and to walk 5 minutes to get to the Gate. For further assistance, please use the following website http://tpg.ch/ and/or download the TPG app to your smartphone.