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THE FUTURE OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADING SYSTEM: POST-BALI PERSPECTIVES

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Auditorium Jacques Freymond
Rue de Lausanne 132
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FRIDAY, 9 MAY 2014



FRIDAY, 9 MAY 2014 – MORNING SESSION

	COFFEE ON ARRIVAL	8.45 onwards
Welcome and Opening Remarks		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ambassador Bertrand de Crombrughe, Belgian Mission to the WTO - Professor Richard Baldwin, The Graduate Institute Geneva - Professor Thomas Cottier, World Trade Institute 		
Opening address by WTO Deputy-Director General Xiaozhun Yi		
Session 1:		
Delivering on Doha: is Bali the new beginning?		
Facilitator: Ambassador Liliane Bloem, Belgian Full Member of the EU Trade Policy Committee		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ambassador Angelos Rangratis, Permanent Mission of EU to the WTO - Professor Simon Evenett, University of St. Gallen - Professor Richard Baldwin, The Graduate Institute Geneva 		
Open Discussion		
	COFFEE BREAK	11.00-11.30
Session 2:		
Multilateralism at multiple speeds: what place for plurilaterals in the global trading system?		
Facilitator: Professor Theresa Carpenter, The Graduate Institute Geneva		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Professor Gabrielle Marceau, World Trade Organization - Professor Jean-Frédéric Morin, Université Libre de Bruxelles - Professor Jan Wouters, Catholic University of Leuven 		
Open Discussion		
	SANDWICH LUNCH	13.30-14.30

FRIDAY, 9 MAY 2014 – AFTERNOON SESSION

		14.30-16.00
Session 3:		
The WTO in the green era: what trade response to urgent environmental problems?		
Facilitator: Alejandro Jara, King & Spalding		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Professor Thomas Cottier, World Trade Institute - Dr. Ricardo Melendez, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD) - Professor Luca Rubini, University of Birmingham 		
Open Discussion		
	COFFEE BREAK	16.00-16.30
Session 4:		
The WTO in the digital era: trade meets technology, but do trade rules too?		
Facilitator: Nick Ashton-Hart, Executive Director of the Internet & Digital Ecosystem Alliance (IDEA)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mrs. Lee Tuthil, World Trade Organization - Professor Mira Burri, World Trade Institute - Hosuk Lee-Makiyama, European Centre for International Political Economy (ECIPE) 		
Open Discussion		
		16.30-18.00