

SOUTH-SOUTH TRADE FORUM
A Tentative Programme
(13-14 December 2004, Beijing, China)

<i>Sunday, 12 December 2004: Registration</i>		
TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
All day	Registration. Handing out materials to participants	Address: Beijing Continental Grand Hotel No. 8 Bei Chen Dong Road, Bei Si Huan Road, An Ding Men Wai, Beijing, China Tel: (010) 6491-5588
<i>Monday, 13 December 2004: Opening Ceremony of SSTF</i>		
10:00 – 11:30	Chair: H.e. Mr. Bo Xilai, Minister of Commerce of P.R. China Welcoming Address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premier Wen Jiabao, P.R. China • H.E. Mr. Zephirin Diabre, UN Under Secretary-General and UNDP Associate Administrator • H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, Chairman of the Group of 77 and China Keynote Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Madame Wu Yi, Vice Premier of P.R. China • One African leader (Proposing H.E. Mr. Alpha Oumar Konare, Chairman of the African Union and former President of Mali) • One Asian leader (Proposing H.E. Mr. Mahathia, former Prime Minister of Malaysia) • One Latin American leader (proposing Trade Minister of Brazil) 	Great Hall of the People
11:30 – 12:40	End of Opening Ceremony. All participants head for Beijing Continental Grand Hotel	
12:40 – 13:40	Luncheon	Beijing Intercontinental Grand Hotel

Monday, 13 December 2004: First Plenary of SSTF		
TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
14:00 – 16:00	<p><u>Plenary Session:</u></p> <p>Chair: H.E. Mr. Zephirin Diabre, UN Under Secretary-General and UNDP Associate Administrator</p> <p>Main topics (by ministers and eminent persons):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Geography of Trade & Economics - Challenges & Opportunities of South-South Trade. • ICT as a means to enhance South-South trade • South-South cooperation in energy trade • Regional, Sub-regional and inter-regional trade arrangements • Capacity development to enhance South-South trade • Others 	Beijing International Convention Centre (next to Beijing Intercontinental Grand Hotel)
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee Break	

TIME	ACTIVITY			VENUE
16:15 – 18:30	Three Simultaneous Sub-Forums with the Common Theme: “Creating Win-Win Scenarios”			Beijing International Convention Centre
	<u>SUB-FORUM I:</u> Policy Frameworks & Mechanisms for Enhancing South-South Trade	<u>SUB-FORUM II:</u> South-South Trade & ICT Cooperation	<u>SUB-FORUM III:</u> South-South Trade & Energy Cooperation	
	<p>Co-Chair: Proposing UNDP & one trade minister (India or Brazil?)</p> <p>Main topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy frameworks for enhanced South-South trade. • Global System of Trade Preference – GSTP (UNCTAD) • Regional and sub-regional trade agreements (ASEAN, MERCOSUR, SADC, Third World Network, etc.) • Other 	<p>Co-Chair: Proposing ICT ministers (to be determined)</p> <p>Main topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policies and environment for Information Industry in developing countries • Experience and lessons learnt from multilateral investments by certain multilateral companies • Narrowing the North-South digital divide through increasing South-South connectivity (ITU) • E-commerce (ITC) • Other 	<p>Chair: to be determined</p> <p>Keynote topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address by Vice Minister of Commerce in charge of the Department of Foreign Economic Cooperation (China) • Speeches by ministers of energy 	
19:00 – 20:30	WELCOME BANQUET			

Tuesday, 14 December 2004: Sub-Forums (Continued) & Closing Plenary				
9:30 – 12:00	SUB-FORUM I CONTINUED Chair: to be determined Main topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Innovative mechanisms for sustaining and expanding South-South trade through public-private partnerships. • Role of Southern chambers of commerce in promoting intra-South trade (G-77 Chamber of Commerce). • Other 	SUB-FORUM II CONTINUED Chair: to be determined Main topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Market demands and opportunities for information industry in developing countries • The present situation and prospects for cooperation between ICT enterprises among developing countries. • Other 	SUB-FORUM III CONTINUED Chair: Proposing one energy organization with WTU (WTU is already helping put a panel & prepared to moderate) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main topics: • The present situation and development trends of international energy structure. • Comparative advantages and opportunities for energy cooperation and co-development in the South. • Opportunities and challenges in oil-based development. • South-South cooperation in renewable energy . 	Beijing International Convention Centre
12:00 – 13:30	LUNCHEON			
14:00 – 15:45	SUB-FORUM I CONTINUED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary and conclusion of Sub-Forum I • Discussion on Beijing Declaration and Beijing South-South Trade Platform 	SUB-FORUM II CONTINUED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary and conclusion of Sub-Forum II • Discussion on Beijing Declaration and Beijing South-South Trade Platform 	SUB-FORUM III CONTINUED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary and conclusion of Sub-Forum III • Discussion on Beijing Declaration and Beijing South-South Trade Platform 	Beijing International Convention Centre
15:45 – 16:00	Coffee Break			
16:00 – 18:00	Closing Ceremony			
	Co-Chair: to be determined Address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports from the Three Sub-Forums. • Major announcements, including signing ceremonies if necessary. • Adoption of Beijing Declaration and Beijing South-South Trade Platform • Closing Address by China and UNDP 			Beijing International Convention Centre
Wednesday, 15 December 2004: Field trip organized by the Host Country				