

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the publication of the e-book:

***Rebuilding Global Trade: Proposals for a Fairer, More Sustainable Future***  
***Short Essays on Trade and Global Economic Governance***

Edited by Carolyn Deere Birkbeck and Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz

The publication is a joint initiative of the International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD) and the Global Economic Governance Programme (GEG), University College, Oxford. It gathers short essays from a broad range of scholars and experts around the world to provide proposals on:

1. immediate trade priorities in the context of the economic crisis, and
2. a forward-looking agenda for global trade governance.

Contributing authors were asked to:

- o Propose concrete trade-related actions that G20 leaders should take at their April 2009 London Summit and subsequent meetings
- o Consider challenges the multilateral trading system will face in the longer term (i.e. 2015) and propose reforms these will demand of global trade governance
- o Focus special attention on the needs of developing countries and sustainable development considerations such as poverty reduction, environmental sustainability, and social justice

Importantly, while this compilation is published in the lead up to the G20 leaders' London Summit, it has a broader audience and purpose: to feed into ongoing debates on the governance of the multilateral trading system and the future of the Doha Round, and to reinforce the case for a full, broad-ranging WTO Ministerial Conference this year.

To download an electronic copy of *Rebuilding Global Trade: Proposals for a Fairer, More Sustainable Future*, please visit ICTSD at <http://ictsd.net/downloads/2009/03/g20-web.pdf> and <http://www.globaleconomicgovernance.org/rebuilding-global-trade-after-the-crisis>, where individual contributions are also available through the GEG blog.

We trust that you find this publication a constructive contribution and look forward to your feedback.

With best regards,

Carolyn Deere Birkbeck and Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz

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