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SPEAKERS

Opening Remarks

Dr. Mohammed Alzarooni, Chairman, World Free Zones Organization, United Arab Emirates

Martin G. Pedersen, Chairman, IFZA Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Keynote Speakers

HE Wamkele Keabetswe Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA, United Arab Emirates

HE Masahiko Metoki, Director General, UPU, Switzerland

Opening Address

Dr. Samir Hamrouni, CEO, World Free Zones Organization, United Arab Emirates

Speaker Presentations

Michael Green - Department of Business & Trade (DBT) - Head of UK Freeports, UK

Paul Wessendorp, Chief, Investment Promotion Section, UNCTAD, Switzerland

Dr. Piotr Stryszowski, Senior Project Manager, Head of Unit "Countering Illicit trade", OECD, France

Dr. Manuel Francisco Pedro, Chairman, SEZ Luanda, Angola

PANEL SESSIONS

(Each panel session is followed by a moderator summary of the panel)

Session 1: Ecosystems of trust, how are they designed, built, and sustained?

Moderator & Main Speaker: Lars Karlsson, Global Head of Trade & Customs Consulting, Maersk A.P. Moller, Denmark

Speakers

Jochen Knecht, CEO, IFZA, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Kevin Shakespeare, Director of Strategic Projects and International Developments, The Institute of Export & International Trade, UK

Ricardo Trevino, Deputy Secretary General, World Customs Organization, Belgium

HE Ito Bisoño, Minister of Industry, Dominican Republic

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Session 2: Mitigating and managing disruptive events: When resilience is not enough

Moderator & Main Speaker: Oliver Sykes, Partner, PwC, United Arab Emirates

Speakers

- **Asli Calik**, Vice President, IRU, Switzerland
- **Emeka Ene**, CEO, Oildata Energy Group, Nigeria
- **Jeffrey P. Hardy**, Director-General, Transnational Alliance of Combat Illicit Trade, USA
- **Philippe Dauvergne**, CEO, Luxembourg High Security Hub, Luxembourg
- **Juan Carlos Buitrago Arias**, CEO, Strategos, Colombia

Session 3: Keeping zones dynamic: winning strategies to keep zones delivering prosperity

Moderator & Main Speaker: Mehdi Tazi, CEO, Tangermed, Morocco

Speakers

- **Slim Feriani**, Former Minister, CEO Sovereign Fund of Djibouti, Djibouti
- **Javier Silvania**, Minister of Finance, Curacao
- **Simon Sonoo**, Vice President Economic Zones, DP World, United Arab Emirates
- **Vahan Kerobyan**, Minister of Economy of the Republic of Armenia

Session 4: Navigating the changing rules of corporate governance (making zones the governance benchmark five years from now)

Moderator & Main Speaker: Cesare Zingone, CEO, Zeta Group, Costa Rica

Speakers

- **Aradhna Aggarwal**, Professor, Department of International Economics, Government and Business, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
- **Claudia Pellarano**, Chairman of the Board, Las Americas Industrial Free Zone, Dominican Republic
- **Hanane Taidi**, Director General, TIC Council, Belgium
- **Srikanth Badiga**, Group Director, Phoenix Group, India

Session 5: Digitization and data: tools to help build trust

Moderator & Main Speaker: Walter Trezek, UPU, Switzerland

Speakers

- **Stacy Dieve**, Strategic Trade Manager, CISCO
- **Juan Pablo Rivera**, President, Bogota FZ, Colombia
- **Xavier Anglada**, Managing Director, Accenture, United Arab Emirates
- **Kelli-Dawn Hamilton**, Interim CEO of Jamaica Special Economic Zone Authority (JSEZA), Jamaica
- **HE Audrey Tang**, Digital Minister, Taiwan



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