

World Trade & Investment Law for a Low-Carbon Economy: Development & Regional Implications of Environmental Pricing Reform 13hr – 15hr, Tuesday, December 01, 2009

Room B, WTO Ministerial NGO Centre CCV, Geneva

Many countries are adopting market-based instruments to promote sustainable development of a low-carbon economy, and to reduce climate change emissions. What are the trade and investment law implications? How can WTO and regional trade rules better support the effective and appropriate use of these instruments? This experts panel and participatory dialogue briefs WTO Ministerial participants on recent legal research and practice in new carbon trading systems and domestic carbon pricing measures, and on how economic instruments could better promote the adoption and transfer of clean energy technology. Hosted by Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL), in partnership with the law faculties of several leading universities, with support from Sustainable Prosperity, the event provides an opportunity to help define the emerging trade and investment law research agenda for Copenhagen and beyond.

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Renewable Energy and Technology – Trade and Investment Law Implications

16.15hr – 18.15hr, Tuesday, December 01, 2009

ICTSD Trade and Development Symposium 2009, Room A, WMO, Geneva

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