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FOREWORD

In the face of gathering clouds over the world economy and mounting tensions around multilateralism, UNCTAD worked diligently in 2018 to support the gainful integration of developing countries into the world economy. In a year fraught with signs of a popular backlash against globalization and declining trust in the multilateral trading system, UNCTAD faced both new opportunities as well as new challenges.

In 2018, UNCTAD accompanied African nations as they signed the African Continental Free Trade Agreement to usher in a new age of decisive, pan-African policymaking on trade and development. We have also seen increased demand for UNCTAD support as many countries in 2018 turned to new sources of economic dynamism from renewed South-South links, such as through China's Belt and Road Initiative.

At the same time, in 2018 we began adopting new ways of working with agreement at the General Assembly on the reform of the United Nations Development System. Putting our intellectual leadership to work on the ground, at the service of the wider United Nations family, has now become a central objective of our work.

These new opportunities and challenges require new thinking and renewed intellectual leadership and 2019 will be a make or break year for trade and development in many respects. It will mark the first high-level political forum under the auspices of the General Assembly, and we only have one year left until the "early harvest" targets of the Sustainable Development Goals come due in 2020. These notably include targets at the heart of UNCTAD's work programme, such as ending harmful fisheries subsidies and doubling the least developed countries' share of world exports. In 2019 we will also begin preparations for UNCTAD's 15th ministerial conference, which will be held in 2020.

As the results documented in this 2018 Annual Report demonstrate, when we are faced with an increasingly fragmented trade and development landscape, we must maintain fidelity to our integrated approach and make good on our founding promise to promote prosperity for all. Going forward we will continue to accomplish this through renewing our intellectual leadership, increasing our transformative impact, and further leveraging our convening power on trade and development issues, within the context of an increasingly coherent development pillar within the UN.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mukhisa Kituyi".

Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD



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INTRO DUCTION

SUB-THEME 4 IMPLEMENTING THE 2030 AGENDA



ALIGNMENT OF OUR WORK WITH THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS AND THE NAIROBI MAAFIKIANO

THE NAIROBI MAAFIKIANO SUB-THEMES:

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES 	SUB-THEME 1: Challenges and opportunities in multilateralism for trade and development	8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH 	SUB-THEME 2: Promoting sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth through trade, investment, finance and technology to achieve prosperity for all	9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE 	SUB-THEME 3: Advancing economic structural transformation and cooperation to build economic resilience and address trade and development challenges and opportunities, at all levels, within the UNCTAD mandate	17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS 	SUB-THEME 4: Contributing to the effective implementation of and follow-up to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and relevant outcomes from global conferences and summits, as related to trade and development
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The Nairobi Maafikiano is the outcome document of the fourteenth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development which frames the agenda for our work over a four-year period until 2020.

Find the full document here:





UNDERSTANDING TRADE EFFECTS OF INTRA-AFRICAN MIGRATION

A sequence of innovative analytical and consensus-building actions on the trade effects of **intra-African migration** backed the lead-up to the signing of the Global Compact on Migration in Morocco in December.



LEADING THE PUSH TO END HARMFUL FISHERIES SUBSIDIES

We marshalled a pro-development United Nations coalition to end harmful fisheries subsidies and contributed concrete pro-trade proposals by hosting the second **Oceans Forum** in Geneva in June.



MAPPING THE LANDSCAPE OF TRADE IN CRISIS

In February, UNCTAD Secretary-General Mukhisa Kituyi convened the **Geneva Dialogue** of leading international figures to debate the rules-based multilateral trading system as a force for creating inclusive prosperity.



ADVANCING GENDER-SENSITIVE TRADE POLICYMAKING

Our work to boost women's economic empowerment and understanding of the trade-gender nexus moved ahead in March with our project in Central Africa, **Borderline: Women in cross-border trade**.



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RESPONDING TO A RAPIDLY EVOLVING GLOBAL ECONOMY

The UNCTAD *Trade and Development Report 2018* tackled inequality, exclusion and global economic fragility vis-à-vis the international trading system, the emerging digital economy and structural transformation.



MAKING TRADE FASTER, CHEAPER AND EASIER

We helped developing countries to put in place new institutions and infrastructure to ease international trade, such as in Africa at the **Forum for National Trade Facilitation Committees in Ethiopia** in November.



BOOSTING INVESTMENT IN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

The biennial **UNCTAD World Investment Forum** in October brought together 6,000 political and business influencers in Geneva to address financing the Sustainable Development Goals.



LEVERAGING THE DIGITAL ECONOMY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Hot-ticket **eCommerce Weeks** in Geneva (April) and Nairobi (November) helped to map a path to global digital economic inclusion and leveraging of online trade for development.





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