Trade and Climate Change Conference: Trade and Climate Action: Shifting the Paradigm for a Just Transition and Sustainable Development in Bridgetown, Barbados

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On May 2-5, 2023, two of our Editors attended the workshop entitled Trade and Climate Action: Shifting the Paradigm for a Just Transition and Sustainable Development in Bridgetown, Barbados. The Workshop is part of the Remaking Global Trade Project collaboratively convened by the Shridath Ramphal Centre (SRC), Yale Center for Environmental Law and Policy, and The Fletcher School at Tufts University.

“The Remaking Global Trade for a Sustainable Future Project aims to rethink the foundations for international commerce and develop a WTO reform agenda to better position this critical international organization to meet the needs of the current moment and better align the trading system with the world community’s commitment to a sustainable future. The Project will map out where the world needs to go over the next decade to address economic inequality, achieve the transition to a clean energy future, and advance other dimensions of the sustainable development vision – and specify what the trading system’s role should be in promoting the transformation required.”

The Workshop, which is one of ten being hosted world-wide on the trade and sustainability connection, brought together policymakers, academics, regional and international officials, civil society leaders, business and finance executives from the fields of finance, trade, sustainable development, and climate change from around the world.

Read more here For more information on the Remaking Trade Project, see here.

Dr. Jan Yves Remy opened the workshop with a few words to participants and locally invited guests and introduced the keynote Speaker, Prime Minister Mia Amor Mottley. The video recording may be viewed here.

The photo below from right shows our Dr. Titilayo Adebola, Prof. Olabisi D. Akinkugbe and three of the founding partners of the Remaking the Global Trading System for a Sustainable Future Project, Professors Joel Trachtman, Daniel C. Esty, and Dr. Jan Yves Remy.


Garrison Rooms 1,2,3
Needham's Ballroom

“The Remaking the Global Trading System for a Sustainable Future Project is guided by a Steering Committee that draws from leaders with a diverse range of experience, backgrounds, and expertise. This group is responsible for guiding the development of a reform framework and cultivating a next generation of trade leaders who will prioritize the sustainability imperative and the need to manage trade consistent with other critical societal goals including climate change action, worker impacts, poverty alleviation, human rights protection and public health collaboration.”

Download the Workshop Extended Summary here.

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