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FOSSIL FUEL SUBSIDY REFORM (FFSR)

CONVENING NOTICE

The following convening notice, dated 17 November, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of New Zealand (as co-ordinator of the Fossil Fuel Subsidy Reform Initiative).

The Fossil Fuel Subsidy Reform (FFSR) Initiative will hold its fourth meeting in hybrid mode in Room E and via Zoom on **24 November, from 10.00 Geneva time**. All WTO Members are invited to attend the meeting. Please see technical arrangements in the Annex.

AGENDA

1. Introductory remarks by the Chair

2. Update reports

- a. Presentation on the 2023 update of the OECD Inventory of Support Measures for Fossil Fuels. The OECD will present the latest trends in the fiscal cost of support measures for fossil fuels from the update of its inventory of support measures.
- b. Other recent update reports.

3. Progress on development of concrete options

Overview and discussion of progress in elaborating concrete options to advance the work of the Initiative under the three pillars identified to date:

- i. Enhanced transparency;
- ii. Crisis support measures; and
- iii. Addressing most harmful fossil fuel subsidies.

4. Next steps on FFSR at MC13 and beyond

Consideration of next steps under the Initiative in the lead-up to MC13 and on 2024 planning.

5. Interventions by other stakeholders

6. Conclusion

Summary of discussions.

ANNEX

Technical Arrangements

Please note that this meeting will be held in hybrid mode (Room E and via Zoom).

1 REMOTE PARTICIPATION

Delegates wishing to participate virtually via the Zoom platform, including capital-based officials, must register in advance of the meeting through this link:

<https://worldtradeorganization.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUoduurgTwsHNxQeaRNGgaiiXrO0J17nSMs>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Before the meeting:

- We are available 30 minutes before the meeting to test your connection with you.

During the meeting:

- If technical difficulties result in delegations being unable to intervene virtually under a given agenda item, the opportunity to take the floor will be given at an appropriate juncture before the meeting closes. Should the technical problem persist, delegations may contact the meeting coordinators (ffsr@wto.org) during the course of the meeting, either to send their statement for it to be read out during the meeting, or to request that the attendees be informed of their interest in the item under consideration and their intention to circulate their written statement after the meeting.

2 ATTENDANCE IN THE MEETING ROOM

For the health protection of all, and to respect the sanitary measures in place, masks remain recommended in common areas and meeting rooms.

3 STATEMENTS

To facilitate interpretation, delegations are strongly encouraged to send their written statements to the Secretariat (ffsr@wto.org) before the meeting starts. Statements will also be gratefully received during the meeting (ffsr@wto.org).
