

UNCTAD, in interest of time will not request the floor but will include its statement in the chat. UNCTAD welcomes this virtual session on one health and covid-19. UNCTAD, through the BioTrade Initiative, is working intensively in promoting legal, traceable and sustainable trade in biodiversity-based goods and services in line with the objectives of CBD, CITES and others. The BioTrade stakeholders have just released a Call to Action urging countries to tap BioTrade for a better recovery from the pandemic, as the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity can create jobs and economic growth while protecting the planet. <https://unctad.org/news/how-biodiversity-friendly-trade-can-support-covid-19-recovery> Furthermore, BioTrade and its partners will launch a survey to evaluate trade business responses to covid-19 (www.biotrade.org) UNCTAD BioTrade will remain ready to contribute to the post 2020 framework and the implementation on the One Health Approach.