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UNCTAD calendar of meetings

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The present note contains the calendar of meetings for the first half of 2021, as approved, on 28 September 2020, by the Trade and Development Board at the third segment of its sixty-seventh session.



Calendar of meetings for first half of 2021*

Slot for meeting (Preparatory Committee negotiations)	11–15 January
Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget, eighty-first session	18–20 January
Slot for meeting (Preparatory Committee negotiations)	21–22 January
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development, fourth session	25–27 January
Slot for meeting	28–29 January
Slot for meeting (Preparatory Committee negotiations)	1–2 February
Trade and Development Board, seventieth executive session	3–5 February
Multi-year Expert Meeting on Commodities and Development, twelfth session	8–9 February
Slot for meeting (Preparatory Committee negotiations)	10–12 February
Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission, twelfth session	15–17 (am) February
Trade and Development Commission, twelfth session	17 (pm)–19 February
Slot for meeting (Preparatory Committee negotiations)	22–26 February
Slot for meeting (Preparatory Committee negotiations)	15–19 March
Slot for meeting (Preparatory Committee negotiations)	22–26 March
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formal session of the Preparatory Committee (1 day) • Special session of the Trade and Development Board (1 day) 	
Slot for meeting (Preparatory Committee negotiations)	29 March–1 April
Slot for meeting	6–9 April
Slot for meeting	12–16 April
Slot for meeting	19–23 April
Fifteenth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Bridgetown, Barbados)	25–30 April
Slot for meeting	3–7 May
Slot for meeting	10–14 May
Commission on Science and Technology for Development, twenty-fourth annual session	17–21 May
Trade and Development Board, sixty-eighth annual session	21 June–2 July
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy, fifth session	5–6 July
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy, nineteenth session	7–9 July

* Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings will be held in Geneva. All meetings listed are subject to a written notification, which is normally dispatched at least six weeks before the opening date.

Provision for other meetings each year

Trade and Development Board, executive sessions (3 sessions per year)	Up to 18 half-day meetings, as required
Investment policy reviews	Up to 10 half-day meetings, as required
Paragraph 166 short courses	6 half-day meetings per year
United Nations commodity and other conferences ¹	Up to 30 half-day meetings, as required
Consultations of the President of the Trade and Development Board	Up to 24 half-day meetings, as required
Seminars, study groups and other meetings	Up to 30 half-day meetings, as required

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