

DRAFT PROGRAMME

ADVANCED GLOBAL WORKSHOP ON THE GPA 2012

No.	Format	Recommended/ Mandatory	Title	Speaker
Opening, Course Introduction and Orientation				
	Live	Highly recommended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening remarks and introduction to the programme Introduction of the Group members. Introduction of participants. Technical videos/ guides – explain very briefly the information contained in the Admin Note, how to use existing materials, the platform and main functions to be used in the sessions. 	
	Pre-recorded or Live	Highly recommended	Keynote address	Ms Anabel González, Deputy Director-General, WTO
Module 1 - Policies underpinning the GPA 2012, its evolution and recent developments				
1.1	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	The economic rationale for trade liberalization in the area of government procurement: Is government procurement different?	TBC
1.2	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Government procurement, good governance and economic reforms: the pathway to development	Professor Steven Schooner, George Washington University
1.3	Pre-recorded	Recommended	How we got here: A short history of the GPA 2012	Mr Philippe Pelletier, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group)
1.4	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	The GPA 2012: global policy context, trade dimension, GPA objectives, key principles, and policy considerations for developing and transition economies	Mr Robert Anderson, University of Nottingham
Module 2 – Design, content and operation of the GPA 2012				
A – The GPA 2012: The main commitments and flexibilities				
2.1	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Introduction to the GPA 2012: Main substantive and procedural commitments and built-in flexibilities	Mr Reto Malacrida, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group)
2.2	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Case study on built-in flexibilities: the operation of the GPA in situations of extreme urgency (COVID-19)	Professor Sue Arrowsmith, University of Nottingham

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2.3	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Selected aspects of procedural commitments contained in the GPA 2012: Time periods, registration and qualification procedures	Ms Carol Cravero, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group)
	Live	Mandatory	Breakout session No.1 (TBC)	
Module 3 – Domestic implementation of the GPA 2012				
A – General				
3.1	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	The 2011 UNCITRAL Model Law as a useful guide to implementing the GPA domestically	Ms Caroline Nicholas, UNCITRAL Secretariat
B – SME participation				
3.2	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Promoting SME participation in government procurement: Options under the GPA 2012	TBC
C – Sustainable public procurement policies				
3.3	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Implementing green government procurement policies as a GPA Party: A perspective of Canada	Ms Stefanie Bowles, Public Services and Procurement Canada
3.4	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Implementing social government procurement policies as a GPA Party: A perspective of New Zealand	Ms Karen English International Procurement and Trade, New Zealand
D – Anti-corruption				
3.5	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	The GPA as a tool for fighting corruption: Links with the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC)	Mr Reto Malacrida, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group)
3.6	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Article 9(1) of the UNCAC on public procurement as a useful guide to implementing the GPA 2012: UNODC's legislative and technical guides	Mr Constantine Palicarsky, UNODC
E – Promoting and safeguarding competition				
3.7	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	The role and importance of competition in government procurement in general and the GPA 2012 in particular	Mr Robert Anderson, University of Nottingham
3.8	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Increasing competition in government procurement tenders: Measures to detect and prevent collusive tendering	Mr Antonio Capobianco, OECD
F – Electronic procurement				
3.9	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	The GPA 2012 in the digital age: scope for e-procurement	Ms Astghik Solomonyan, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group)

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3.10	Pre-recorded	Recommended	How Open Contracting Data Standard can support GPA 2012 objectives?	TBC
	Live	Highly recommended	** Online public GPA Knowledge Series event (TBC)	
Module 4 – Market access commitments under the GPA 2012				
4.1	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Market access opportunities under, and scope and coverage of, the GPA 2012: use of the e-GPA tool as a market access information resource (https://e-gpa.wto.org)	Mr Philippe Pelletier, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group)
4.3	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Evidence-based trade policy making: towards more and better economic data on international government procurement	Ms Zornitsa Kutlina-Dimitrova European Commission
	Live	Mandatory	Breakout session No.2 (TBC)	
Module 5 – Domestic and international enforcement of the GPA 2012				
A – Domestic review procedures				
5.1	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Domestic review procedures: requirements of the GPA 2012	Ms Anna Caroline Müller, WTO IPD
5.2	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Design and operation of domestic review procedures: Issues and practical considerations	Judge Marc Steiner, Swiss Federal Administrative Tribunal
5.3	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Domestic review in the United States: experiences and lessons learned	Professor Steven Schooner George Washington University
5.4	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	WTO intergovernmental dispute settlement: enforcing the GPA 2012 through the WTO Dispute Settlement Understanding (DSU)	Mr Reto Malacrida, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group)
Module 6 - The WTO Committee on Government Procurement, accession to the GPA 2012 and observership, and special and differential treatment for developing countries				
A - Plurilateral GPA administration: The Government Procurement Committee (CGP)				
6.1	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	The regular work of the CGP	Mr Philippe Pelletier, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group), see also WTO Government Procurement - Messages from the GPA community

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6.2	Pre-recorded	Recommended	GPA-related Documents and Notifications	Mr Philippe Pelletier, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group)
B – Observership, accession to the GPA and transitional measures for developing countries				
6.3	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Accession to the GPA and observership: benefits, costs, recent trends, and procedures	Ms Astghik Solomonyan, WTO IPD (Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group)
6.4	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Special and differential (S&D) treatment for developing countries: Negotiable transitional measures	Ms Anna Caroline Müller, WTO IPD
6.5	Pre-recorded	Recommended	GPA transitional measures (S&D) as part of a development strategy	Mr Kodjo Osei-Lah
6.6	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Measuring the economic impact of acceding to the GPA 2012: Analytical framework, initial results from research & prospects	Mr Mihaly Fazekas, Central European University
6.7	Pre-recorded	Recommended	GPA accession as a strategy for domestic procurement reform and export market success, and tactical considerations for accession negotiations	Professor Steven Schooner George Washington University Law School
6.8	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	GPA accession and economic development: How to craft an appropriate negotiating strategy	Mr Kodjo Osei-Lah
6.9	Pre-recorded	Recommended	Building domestic support for GPA accession: an Australian perspective	Andrew Martin; Simon Reid, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Australia
C – Plurilateral GPA deliberations: The CGP's Work Programmes				
6.10	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Committee on Government Procurement's Work Programmes on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the treatment of small and medium-sized enterprises; • the collection and dissemination of statistical data; and • the treatment of sustainable procurement. 	Mr Jianning Chen, WTO Secretariat
	Live	Mandatory	Breakout session No.3 (TBC)	
Module 7 – The GPA 2012 in a broader policy context				
A – The GPA 2012 as a global reference on "Trade and Government Procurement"				
7.1	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	The GPA as a template for bilateral and regional preferential trade agreements	Ms Nadezhda Sporysheva, UNECE
B– GPA 2012 membership as a quasi-quality label for domestic government procurement systems				
7.2	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Path to Global Acceptance of Public Procurement Systems: Benefits for GPA Parties in relation to World Bank funded Procurement under Investment Projects	Mr V.S. Krishnakumar, The World Bank

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C – GPA 2012 as part of a coherent domestic policy strategy to achieve desirable public health outcomes				
7.3	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Trade and public health: the interface between government procurement, competition policy and IP – the WTO work	Mr Antony Taubman WTO IPD
Module 8 – Evaluation of the GPA 2012				
8.1	Pre-recorded	Recommended	The GPA@25/40: a perspective from a former United States GPA chief negotiator	Ms Jean Heilman Grier Principal Trade Consultant, Djaghe LLC
8.2	Pre-recorded	Mandatory	Effectiveness of the GPA 2012: empirical analysis of whether the GPA 2012 helps to promote non-discriminatory, open, transparent, competitive, and efficient government procurement	Professor Kamala Dawar Sussex University
Closing of the workshop				
	Live	Highly recommended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rapporteur's summary • Evaluation • Closing remarks 	