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**WTO Regional Workshop on Market Access  
for Central and Eastern European, Central and the Caucasus (CEECAC) Countries**

**JVI, Vienna, Austria  
22 – 26 May 2017**

The Secretariat of the World Trade Organization, with the financial assistance of the Doha Development Agenda Trust Fund and the cooperation of the Joint Vienna Institute (JVI), is pleased to invite your Delegation to nominate candidates for a **Regional Workshop on Market Access related issues for the Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus Region** to be held in **Vienna, Austria, from 22 to 26 May 2017**. Please note that the Workshop will be conducted in **English\***.

This workshop, in the context of the WTO Biennial Technical Assistance and Training Plan for 2016-2017, aims at enhancing participants' understanding of certain aspects that affect market access and the related WTO rules that regulate such aspects, such as tariffs, customs valuation, rules of origin, and import licensing procedures. The workshop is also aimed at presenting sources of available WTO information regarding trade, tariffs and non-tariff measures.

This course is addressed to government officials who are directly involved in the above-mentioned Market Access related issues. Accordingly, your Government is invited to nominate **four capital-based officials**, as candidates for this activity. **One or two candidates** will be selected up to a maximum of **30 participants**. With respect to the selection process, please note that:

- Candidates should either be directly involved in tariff-related policy-making or deal with customs related matters (e.g. rules of origin and customs valuation);
- All candidates must have completed successfully the WTO online course "Introduction to the WTO" (<http://etraining.wto.org/default.asp?lang=En>) or possess knowledge or professional experience that is demonstrably commensurate with the requirements;
- All candidates must be fluent in English; and,
- Priority will be given to candidates who have completed, or at least initiated, the online course "Market Access for goods and Non-Agricultural Market Access (NAMA) Negotiations" (<http://etraining.wto.org/default.asp?lang=En>);

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An economy-class round-trip air ticket and accommodation at the Hotel including a breakfast will be provided by the WTO Secretariat to the selected participants. Daily subsistence allowance to cover lunches and dinners for the duration of the Workshop only and a lump sum for terminal expenses will also be provided by the JVI Course Coordinator on the opening day of the Workshop. Further details and conditions of participation will be sent later to all participants attending the Regional Workshop.

..... The attached Application Form must be returned, completed and signed by the candidate as well as by the nominating national authority which presents the candidate, **via the Permanent Mission/Embassy to the WTO, to the Logistics Unit, Institute for Training and Technical Cooperation ([logistics.unit@wto.org](mailto:logistics.unit@wto.org) or fax: +41-22 / 739 57 24), NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 10 MARCH 2017.**

In light of complex arrangements involved in the organization of these activities, we need to stress that beyond this deadline, the Secretariat will not be in a position to process the names of new participants.

The WTO Secretariat reserves the right to postpone or cancel this activity in the event of force majeure or other reasons that render the execution of the activity impracticable for the organizers.

**\*Français/Español**

L'Organisation Mondiale du Commerce organise un atelier sur l'Accès aux Marchés à Vienne, Autriche, du 22 au 26 Mai 2017. Ce cours étant donné en anglais, l'invitation et le formulaire de candidature seront uniquement distribués en anglais.

La Organización Mundial del Comercio organiza un Taller sobre el Acceso a los Mercados en Viena, Austria, del 22 al 26 de mayo 2017. Este curso será dado en inglés, por consiguiente, la invitación y el formulario de candidatura serán distribuidos únicamente en inglés.