



WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

ADVANCED COURSE ON REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS AND THE WTO (Level 3 – Specialist)

Geneva, Switzerland, from 17 to 21 September 2018

WTO APPLICATION FORM

This four-page form should be returned, filled out, stamped and signed, by the candidate and the responsible official presenting the candidate,

NO LATER THAN MONDAY, 21 MAY 2018 to this fax number OR e-mail ONLY

Fax: +41 22 - 739 5724 OR logistics.unit@wto.org

VIA THE PERMANENT MISSION/EMBASSY

PLEASE ATTACH A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT

Mr. Mrs. Ms Miss

First name(s): (as in passport)

Family name(s): (as in passport)

Date of Birth: Day: Month: Year:

Nationality:

Position post:

Department:

Ministry/Organization:.....

City: Postal code:

Country/Customs Territory:

Official telephone number:

Cellular telephone number:

Fax number codes:

Official E-mail address in CAPITAL LETTERS:

Personal E-mail address in CAPITAL LETTERS:

Language knowledge: If English is not your working language, a language proficiency certificate **MUST** be attached

	Advanced	Intermediate	Basic
English	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Travel itinerary preferences in the event you are selected (taken into account but not guaranteed)

NAME of candidate: _____

Higher education

When	Where	Title of qualification

Work experience

Description of your work, including your personal responsibilities	
What date did you take up your current functions?	
Area of WTO-related work in which you are currently working	
Previous post	

Check the appropriate box

Are you in the process of completing/have you completed the WTO on-line Course "Regional Trade Agreements and the WTO"? Yes No

Have you completed the WTO on-line Course "The Multilateral Trade Agreements"? Yes No

Have you completed a Regional Trade Policy Course? Where, When? Yes No

Please list all other WTO training undertaken (including E-Training)	When

To be filled in by the National Nominating Authority

NAME of candidate:

The Nominating Authority of	
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Nominates the candidate who filled the Application Form to attend this WTO training course. This nomination is subject to the selection of the candidate by the WTO Selection Committee.

Details of the responsible official supporting this candidate

Family name / First name	
Title	
Ministry/Organization	
Country/Customs Territory	
Telephone	
Email address	

Signature and official stamp

Candidate

Nominating Authority

Date:

ANNEX: CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN WTO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES**Travel, air-tickets, visas, transit visas, accommodation and subsistence allowances:**

1. Countries are implementing very strict visa policies. Before you complete this registration form, please enquire several weeks in advance on the visas and transit visas you need. Make the necessary arrangements in your country to obtain all necessary visas for your full roundtrip. The WTO is not authorized to intervene in this matter and is not responsible for visa fees and other financial issues.
2. You will not be consulted for your travel itinerary. However, if there is any preferred travel itinerary, please clearly indicate in the application form. It will be taken into account but is not guaranteed.
3. The WTO Secretariat will provide you with a round-trip airplane ticket in economy-class, daily subsistence allowance, a terminal expenses allowance, and accommodation for the duration of the Course.
4. Administrative and logistical details will be communicated to the selected participants directly.

THE WTO DOES NOT ASSUME FINANCIAL OR ANY OTHER RESPONSIBILITY FOR:

1. Expenses incurred in connection with foreign travel formalities (visas, transit visas, taxes, travel to get visas, medical examinations, vaccinations, etc.).
2. Salaries of the participants during their participation in the Course.
3. Travel or other expenses of any additional persons accompanying the participants.
4. Travel, accident or medical insurance, medical treatment or hospitalisation during travel or participation in the Course.
5. Loss or damage to the personal effects of the participants during travel or attendance at the Course.
6. Any modification made by you regarding the hotel booking and the related logistical arrangements.
7. Any personal service or facility you may request during your stay in the hotel where you are accommodated by the WTO, such as: business centre, room service, laundry, mini-bar or any kind of ground transport.
8. Any modification made BY THE AIRLINE OR BY YOU in connection with the itinerary or the air-tickets issued by the WTO Travel Agency in Geneva. Any additional fees, charges and/or penalties for the air-ticket modifications WILL BE COVERED BY YOU AND NOT BY THE WTO.

INCOMPLETE OR ILLEGIBLE APPLICATION FORMS OR FORMS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE OR NOT PRESENTED THROUGH THE PERMANENT MISSION TO THE WTO/EMBASSY WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

I, the undersigned Applicant, declare that I have carefully read this application form and that I accept the aforementioned conditions.

Applicant's Name and Signature

OFFICIAL
STAMP

THE APPLICATION FORM SHOULD BE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE PERMANENT MISSION TO:

Logistics unit, WTO Institute for Training and Technical Cooperation

logistics.unit@wto.org OR fax: +4122/739 57 24

AT THE LATEST BY 21 MAY 2018

2018 ADVANCED COURSE on REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS (RTAs) and the WTO
17-21 September 2018, Geneva
Rooms TI-T2, 4th Floor

Programme

MONDAY 17 SEPTEMBER

- 08:30-10:20^{*} Opening of the Seminar
Introduction to the Course and "Tour De Table"
- 10:20-12:30 RTAs Trends and Characteristics
Exercise 1 - WTO Rules on RTAs
- 12:30-14:30 *Lunch*
- 14:30-16:00 WTO and RTAs on Trade in Services
16:15-17:30 Services Statistics
WTO Databases on Services: I-Tip

TUESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

- 09:00-09:40 WTO Committee on Regional Trade Agreements (CRTA): Briefing
09:50-13:00 Attendance at the CRTA
- 13:00-14:15 *Lunch*
- 14:15-15:15 Debriefing on the CRTA
Transparency Mechanism for RTAs
RTA-IS Database
- 15:30-17:30 Architecture of WTO Rules on RTAs: Pyramids and Loopholes

WEDNESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

- 09:00-09:30 Time for consultations
09:30-12:30 Market Access Databases: IDB, TAO, TDF - Lecture and Exercises
WTO Databases: I-TIP for Goods
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16:30-17:30 Exercise 2 - Analysis of a Factual Presentation

THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

- 09:00-12:30 Specificities of Customs Unions:
WTO Schedules of Concessions: Rules and Procedures to Change Them, Including Renegotiations
under Article XXVIII of the GATT 1994
- 12:30-14:00 *Lunch*
- 14:00-14:15 *Group photo*
14:30-17:30 Exercise 3 - Renegotiations under Article XXVIII

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Questions and Replies to Representative of Regional Secretariats
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