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**SUBJECT: WTO FUNDED INTERNSHIP PROGRAMMES (NTP/FIMIP)**

Reference is made to the Trainee Programmes and Internships (NTP/FIMIP) discussed in the Biennial Technical Assistance and Training Plan 2020-2021 (**WT/COMTD/W/248/Rev.1**). These programmes are primarily geared towards providing support in the economic and social development of developing countries, LDCs, low income countries and comparable poor, small and vulnerable economies in areas related to trade policy.

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Specific information on conditions and the selection criteria for the **Netherlands Trainee Programme (NTP)** and the **French-Irish Mission Internship Programme (FIMIP)** is contained as an Annex to this letter, which you are kindly invited to carefully review, before candidates are invited to submit applications. Also, it should be noted that only duly completed files will be considered, including all requested information and letters of support. Countries can submit a maximum of 3 applications for the two programmes.

Given the paperless environment of the WTO, E-candidature forms should be submitted for consideration by **31 August 2021**. Applicants for the NTP and the FIMIP should complete the candidature form by using the following link: <https://wto.formstack.com/forms/internshipprogrammes2022>. You are kindly invited to forward this link and information to the relevant Ministry for submission of applications. Please note that a letter of support from the Mission for the FIMIP is mandatory as the retained candidates will be housed in the Permanent Missions.

The selected interns are expected to start the programmes in Geneva in March 2022.

If you have any questions regarding the above programmes, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Juan Manuel Fernandez Azpiroz, Head of the TA Coordination, Partnership and Internship Programmes Section (Tel: +41 22 739 69 25; Email: [Juan-Manuel.Fernandez@wto.org](mailto:Juan-Manuel.Fernandez@wto.org)) or Ms Queen King'ori, Assistant, TA Coordination, Partnership and Internship Programmes Section (Tel: +41 22 739 64 56; Email: [Queen.Kingori@wto.org](mailto:Queen.Kingori@wto.org)) at the Institute for Training and Technical Cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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