

WTO E-Learning Course Catalogue

Generalist

Introduction to the WTO

The course enables participants to prepare for level 2 courses.

The objectives of the course are to:



- Acquire understanding of the role and importance of the WTO in the MTS;
- Acquire knowledge of the main disciplines and rules contained in the WTO Agreements, including main legal and economic underpinnings;
- Built capacity to find relevant information and documents on WTO related issues;
- Establish a network of professional contacts with other participants and WTO experts.

Course level: Basic level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

The Multilateral Trade Agreements

The course enables participants to prepare for advanced courses at level 3.

The objectives of the course are to:



- Recap of the basic principles of the WTO and the Multilateral Trading System;
- Acquire an in-depth knowledge of the main WTO disciplines in each of the Multilateral Trade Agreements;
- Improved ability to interpret relevant information and documents on WTO-related issues, and to use the WTO legal texts and related background materials.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language; knowledge on WTO basic concepts through their professional experience or through participation in a WTO introduction course, basic level

Documents Online E-Subscriptions (New)

The objectives of the course are to:



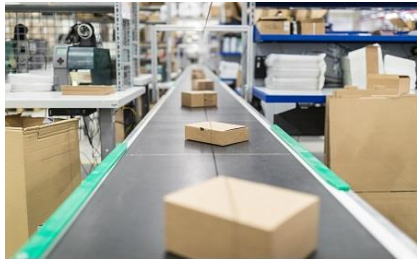
- Understand what is E-Subscriptions;
- Know how to access E-Subscriptions;
- Acquire how to subscribe to documents of interest.

Course level: Basic level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Mainstreaming Trade - The Fundamentals

The objectives of the course are to:



- Understand what is meant by trade mainstreaming and why it is important;
- The role of international trade in the context of Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs);
- Introduce the Enhanced Integrated Framework and its contribution to Trade mainstreaming for the LDCs;
- To provide an overview of the importance of stakeholders' engagement in trade and trade policy.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Mainstreaming Trade in Action (New)

The objectives of the course are to:



- Understand the importance of integrated policy approaches for the implementation of Agenda 2030 and the SDGs and its relevance for trade policy making and implementation;
- Learn about the need for a trade strategy as a instrument towards mainstreaming and policy coherence;
- Get acquaintance with issues of themes in the intersection of trade and sustainable development;
- Discover case studies to illustrate how coherence between trade and gender, and the environment can be enhanced through effective mainstreaming trade initiatives;
- Understand financing trade priorities;
- Learn about the monitoring and evaluation framework.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

The WTO and Trade Economics: Theory and Policy

The objectives of the course are to:



- Provide some background knowledge on the basics of trade theory and trade policy;
- Explain gains from trade and the costs associated with trade liberalization, as well as the motives to join a trade agreement;
- The course covers gains from trade, comparative advantage, distributional effects and adjustment costs of trade liberalization, effects of a tariff in a small and large country, optimal tariff, rationale for multilateral commitments.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

WTO Legal Underpinnings

The objectives of the course are for the participants to acquire:



- Enhanced knowledge and understanding of the basic legal rules of the multilateral trading system;
- Enhanced understanding of how they have evolved throughout the years;
- Benefited from the establishment of a network of useful contacts between course participants and experts from the WTO Secretariat.

Course level: Advanced level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

WTO in 10'

After taking this course, the participants will be introduced to:



- The role of the WTO in multilateral trade;
- The WTO and its Members;
- The basic principles and their exceptions.

Course level: Basic level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Specialist

A short trip through TRIPS

By the end of the activity participants will:



- Understand the role of the TRIPS Council;
- Know the general provisions and basic principles of the TRIPS Agreement;
- Familiarize with the structure of the TRIPS Agreement and with the main TRIPS Decisions;
- Understand the place of TRIPS in the WTO;
- Understand what Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) are and why they are protected.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

WTO Accession

The objectives of the course are for the participants to:



- Acquire a better understanding of the various steps of the accession process and of what accession negotiations entail;
- Benefit from the establishment of a network of useful contacts between course participants and experts from the WTO Secretariat.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Agriculture in the WTO

The objectives of the course are for the participants to acquire:



- Enhanced knowledge of the basic principles of the WTO;
- Enhanced knowledge of the WTO disciplines regarding agriculture;
- Improved ability to interpret relevant information and documents on WTO-related issues, and to use the WTO legal texts and related background materials.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Agriculture Information Management System (New)

The objectives of the course are for the participants to:



- Acquire the knowledge on Agriculture Information Management System;
- Learn how to use the online facilities.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

CITES and the WTO - Enhancing Cooperation for Sustainable Development (New)

The objectives of the course are for the participants to:



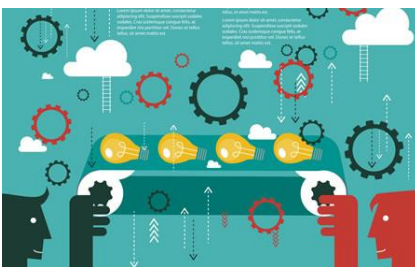
- Have a clear understanding of the developments leading to the adoption of CITES and the establishment of the WTO;
- Get acquainted with CITES legal framework and WTO rules related to Trade and Environment;
- Have an overview of the relationship, linkages and increasing synergies between CITES and the Multilateral Trading System;
- Have an improved ability to use the WTO and CITES legal texts, interpret relevant information and documents, and related background materials.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Copyright in the WTO

The objectives of the course are to:



- Understand what are copyright & related rights and why they are protected;
- Know the TRIPS provisions on copyright and related rights;
- Get acquainted with the horizontal provisions of the TRIPS Agreement.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Made in...: Understanding Rules of Origin

By the end of the activity participants will:



- Understand why rules of origin are used in international trade;
- Know how to distinguish preferential and non-preferential origin;
- Be familiar with the main methods used to design rules of origin;
- Understand the effects of rules of origin on trade and investment;
- Become familiar with the WTO disciplines on rules of origin.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Market Access for goods and Non-Agriculture Market Access (NAMA) Negotiations

The objectives of the course are for the participants to acquire:



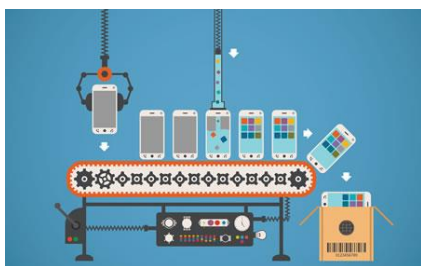
- Enhanced knowledge of the basic principles of the WTO;
- Enhanced knowledge of the WTO disciplines regarding non-agricultural market access (tariff and non-tariff measures);
- Improved ability to interpret relevant information and documents on WTO-related issues, and to use the WTO legal texts and related background materials.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Patents in the WTO

The objectives of the course are to:



- Understand the reasons and importance of protecting patents;
- Get acquainted with the TRIPS provisions on patents and related decisions;
- Understand TRIPS provisions aimed at balancing competing policy interests within the patent system;
- Find information relevant to patents through online WTO facilities.

Course level: Intermediary level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Regional Trade Agreements and the WTO

By the end of the activity participants will:



- Be able to relate WTO terminology about regionalism with the concepts behind it;
- Be able to consider regionalism in its global economic, and geopolitical context;
- Be able to discuss the substantive WTO rules governing RTAs;
- Have practised navigation through the WTO website, and in particular the RTA database;
- Establish a network of professional contacts with other participants and WTO experts.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

The objectives of the course are for the participants to acquire:



- Enhanced knowledge of the basic principles of the WTO;
- Enhanced knowledge of the WTO disciplines regarding sanitary and phytosanitary measures;
- Improved ability to interpret relevant information and documents on WTO-related issues, and to use the WTO legal texts and related background materials.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Technical Barriers to Trade in the WTO

After taking this course, you will be introduced to:



- The importance of agricultural trade;
- The definition of an agricultural product at the WTO;
- The Agreement on Agriculture, its three pillars and its transparency provisions

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

The Agriculture Express

The objectives of the course are for the participants to acquire:



- Enhanced knowledge of the basic principles of the WTO;
- Enhanced knowledge of the WTO disciplines regarding technical barriers to trade;
- Improved ability to interpret relevant information and documents on WTO-related issues, and to use the WTO legal texts and related background materials.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

The WTO Dispute Settlement System

The objectives of the course are to:



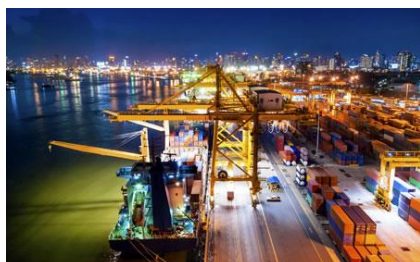
- Understand the importance and role of the WTO Dispute Settlement System (DSS) within the Multilateral Trading System (MTS) taking into account its historical evolution;
- Acquire knowledge of the WTO DSS, including its main features and the different stages of a proceeding;
- Acquire knowledge of the rules and procedures governing the settlement of disputes in the WTO, as embodied in the DSU;
- Retrieve and use background-related documents and the WTO legal texts, in particular the DSU;
- Develop a network of useful contacts between participants, trainers and experts from the WTO Secretariat.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Trade and Development in the WTO

The objectives of the course are for the participants to acquire:



- Enhanced knowledge of the relationship between trade and development in the WTO;
- Enhanced knowledge of the developmental aspects of the multilateral trading system (MTS);
- Improved ability to find relevant WTO information and documents on issues related to trade and development, and to use the WTO legal texts and related background materials.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Trade and Environment and the WTO

The objective of the course is to describe and explain:



- WTO discussions on trade and environment;
- WTO trade and environment negotiations;
- How WTO rules intersect with environmental policies.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Trade Facilitation Agreement

In this course we will study:



- Understood The objectives of the Agreement on Trade Facilitation (TFA) and how it is structured;
- The trade facilitation provisions in the Agreement;
- The flexibilities in the Agreement to meet the specific needs of developing and least-developed WTO Members;
- The institutional provisions in the Agreement and the work of the Trade Facilitation Committee.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Trade Finance and the WTO

The objectives of the course are for the participants to have:



- Understood the importance of finance for the expansion of trade, how market failures and financial crises may pose a threat to the availability of trade finance globally and hence affect global trade;
- Acquired knowledge on international initiatives that have involved the WTO in supporting the availability and affordability of trade finance, in particular in favour of developing countries;
- Benefited from the establishment of a network of useful contacts between course participants and experts from the WTO Secretariat.

Course level: Advanced level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Trade in Services in the WTO

The objective of the course is to describe and explain:



- The role and functions of the WTO;
- The legal framework of the Multilateral Trade System;
- The basic principles of the Multilateral Trade System in trade in goods and show how these principles apply to trade and services;
- The legal framework governing the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) Agreement;
- Members' rights and obligations in the GATS Agreement.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Trade Remedies and the WTO

The objectives of the course are for the participants to acquire:



- Enhanced knowledge of the basic principles of the WTO;
- Enhanced knowledge of the WTO disciplines regarding trade remedies;
- Improved ability to interpret relevant information and documents on WTO-related issues, and to use the WTO legal texts and related background materials.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights

The objective of the course is to describe and explain:



- The role and functions of the WTO;
- The legal framework of the Multilateral Trade System;
- The relationship between the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the WTO;
- The basic principles of the Multilateral Trade System in trade in goods and show how these principles apply to TRIPS;
- The legal framework governing the TRIPS Agreement;
- Members' rights and obligations in the TRIPS Agreement.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

Transparency and the WTO: Notification Obligations

By the end of the activity participants will:



- Have acquired knowledge on the main functions and basic principles of the WTO;
- Have understood the development and content of specific commitments in the Schedules in GATT and GATS;
- Have understood the reason and importance of notification obligations at the WTO;
- Have understood how notifications are prepared and how they are reviewed at the WTO;
- Have learned how to find relevant Schedules and Notifications and how to use online facilities to access their information through databases;
- Have established a network of professional contacts with other participants and WTO experts.

Course level: Intermediary level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language

WTO Market Access Intelligence online

The objectives of the course are for the participants to have:



- Acquired the knowledge on WTO market access databases - the Integrated Database (IDB) and Consolidated Tariff Schedules (CTS) database and the information contained in each database;
- Learned how to use the online facilities to access these databases and generate analytical reports, specifically on bound tariffs and applied tariffs;
- Learned how to interpret the statistics contained in the reports and be able to identify the appropriate online application to use based on type of data required.

Course level: Intermediate level

Pre-requisite: Proficiency in the course language