



## WTO SPS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES IN 2023

The WTO Secretariat plans to organize a number of specific technical assistance activities on the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS Agreement) in 2023. These activities are as follows:

- > E-Learning Course on the SPS Agreement (https://www.learning.wto.org)
  - E-Learning course in English, French and Spanish available throughout the year.

## National SPS Seminars

 Upon request by any WTO Member or Observer submitting a request for a WTO National SPS Seminar through the Technical Assistance Management System: https://tams.wto.org.

## > Regional SPS Workshops

- Regional SPS workshops will be held upon request from regional organizations.
- To submit a request: Regional organizations (or a Member in conjunction with a regional organization) must submit an official letter indicating the purpose and expected outcome of the workshop, their expected contribution and the proposed dates. This formal request should be addressed to the Director of the Institute for Training and Technical Cooperation (ITTC) and sent by e-mail to: <a href="mailto:ittcregionaldesk@wto.org">ittcregionaldesk@wto.org</a>.
- Programmes, pre-requisites and selection criteria will be defined for each requested activity.
- > Regional SPS Workshop for Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus (in English)
  - In Vienna, Austria: Week of 17 July 2023.
  - Eligible WTO Members and Observers: Afghanistan; Albania; Armenia; Azerbaijan; Bosnia and Herzegovina; Georgia; Iran; Israel; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyz Republic; Moldova, Republic of; Montenegro; North Macedonia; Serbia; Tajikistan; Türkiye; Turkmenistan; Ukraine; Uzbekistan.
  - Pre-requisite: priority may be given to candidates that have successfully completed the WTO e-Learning Course on the SPS Agreement by the time of their application.
  - Deadline for applications: 19 May 2023
  - Application form: <a href="https://worldtradeorganization.wufoo.com/forms/2023-wto-sps-technical-assistance-application-form">https://worldtradeorganization.wufoo.com/forms/2023-wto-sps-technical-assistance-application-form</a>

## > 2023 Advanced Course on the SPS Agreement (in English)

- In Geneva, Switzerland: Weeks of 9 and 16 October 2023.
- Eligible WTO Members and Observers: Least-developed and developing countries.
- Pre-requisite: successful completion of the <u>WTO e-Learning Course on the SPS</u> Agreement.
- Deadline for applications: 19 May 2023
- Application form: <a href="https://worldtradeorganization.wufoo.com/forms/2023-wto-sps-technical-assistance-application-form">https://worldtradeorganization.wufoo.com/forms/2023-wto-sps-technical-assistance-application-form</a>

For more information on 2023 SPS technical assistance activities, please consult document <a href="Mailto:G/SPS/GEN/997/Rev.13">G/SPS/GEN/997/Rev.13</a>, and the SPS Technical Assistance gateway at: <a href="http://www.wto.org/sps/ta">http://www.wto.org/sps/ta</a>.