

Capacity Building Activities

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Recent Developments (1)

- WTO attended last TPCC for the first time
- 4 actions endorsed by TPCC
 - 1) WTO's participation in CB activities organized by CAREC
 - 2) CAREC's participation in CB activities organized by WTO

Recent Developments (2)

- 3) WTO participation in future TPCC activities
- 4) Any WTO substantive role in TPCC? ADB, IMF and WTO to mutually explore appropriate modalities of cooperation; [formal recognition of the WTO role to be considered and endorsed by MC to only be considered at last stage.]

TA Activities Accessions (1)

1. Specialised workshops on WTO Accessions (2012/13)
 - Global Seminar on WTO Accessions, September 2013, Geneva
 - First China Round Table on WTO Accessions “Best Practices”, May 2012, Beijing
 - Second China Round Table on WTO Accessions “The Future of the Multilateral Trading System: Perspectives of Article XII Members”, October 2013, Lao PDR
 - Third China Round Table in mid December 2014 in Tajikistan (?)

TA Activities Accessions (2)

2. Country-specific support (2012/14)

- AFG: Trainee working with WTO
- AZE: Workshops on Good Schedules, Financial Services, and SPS; trainee working with WTO
- KAZ: WTO Secretariat accession team visit
- KGZ: Workshops on Implications of Russia's WTO Accession on Central Asia, and GPA
- Mongolia: WTO workshops on SPS, Trade and Development.

TA Activities Accessions (3)

2. Country-specific support (2012/14)

- TAJ: Post-accession support
 - Workshops on Customs Valuation & Notifications
 - Trainee working in the Geneva mission
 - ADB support for the reform of the Standards Agency on TBT
 - ADB support for Trade and Investment Conference
- TKM: USAID Workshop on WTO Accession
- UZB: Workshop on Goods & Services Market Access

TA Activities Accessions (4)

3. General training activities

- Trade policy courses
- Topic-specific workshops
- Traineeships and internships
- E-learning courses
 - 3-levels: Introduction, intermediate and advanced levels
 - Geneva, regional and national activities
 - Three official languages E/F/S

Proposed activities for 2014-15

- Focus
 - General and specific capacity building activities for trade policy making and implementation, taking into account TPSAP priorities
 - WTO accessions & post accession
 - Issues specific to CAREC

Proposed activities for 2014-15 (1)

- General activities
 1. A 3-day knowledge sharing workshop/round table on WTO accession and post accession, 2014
 2. A 5-day Short Trade Policy Course covering the issues of interest to Central Asia, 2015
 - e.g. transit issues, trade facilitation, implications of the RBK Customs Union, energy policy

Proposed activities for 2014-15 (2)

- 2 topics-specific training workshops, as identified in TPSAP
 - SPS (2014)
 - Trade in services (2015)
- Country-specific assistance will continue, upon request
- Possibility of translating E-learning courses to Russian?

Thank you

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