

# Webinar Series on Customs and Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures for Mongolia

## Series 1: Experiences in Integrated Border Management and Risk Assessment for Plants, Plant Products, Animals and Products of Animal Origin<sup>1</sup>

16-17 June 2022, via zoom

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### AGENDA

#### Objectives:

The People's Republic of China (PRC) and Georgia will share best practices in integrating border-related sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) functions under Customs. The webinar will also (i) introduce the mandates of SPS agencies, in particular the national plant protection organization (NPPO) and veterinary services, and elaborate on interagency coordination between them and Customs; (ii) introduce risk assessment and categorization as basis for formulating risk-based border controls and inspection; and (iii) advise on the legal basis for risk assessment and composition of the risk assessment teams.

### **Target Participants:**

Mongolian Customs General Administration, Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Light Industry, General Authority for Veterinary Services, Ministry of Economy and Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and other agencies involved in the implementation of the World Trade Organization (WTO) SPS Agreement.

Simultaneous interpretation will be available in Mongolian, English and Chinese.

| Day 1, 16 June<br>13:30 Mongolia time: Zoom login |  |  |
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| 14:00 - 14:15                                     | Opening Remarks  |  |
|   | <b>Gendentseveen Tseveldulam</b> , Deputy Director General, Mongolian Customs General Administration   |  |
|   | <b>Emma Fan</b> , Director, Public Management, Financial Sector, and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, Asian Development Bank (ADB) |  |

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|               | (Group Photo)   |
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| 14:15 – 15:50 | Session 1: Best Practices on Integrating SPS Measures under Customs   |
|               | Georgia and the People's Republic of China will share their experience in integrating SPS functions, including risk assessment, under Customs, highlighting operationalization, challenges and key lessons. |
|               | Presenters:<br><b>Samson Uridia</b> , Head of International Relations Department, Georgia<br>Revenue Service  |
|               | Li Yu, Deputy Director, Department of General Operation, General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China  |
|               | Discussion  |
| 15:50 – 16:00 | Wrap up   |
|               | Asian Development Bank  |

| Day 2, 17 June<br>13:30 Mongolia time: Zoom login |   |  |
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| 14:00 – 14:30                                     | Session 2: The Mandates of Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Agencies  |  |
|   | The session will introduce the functions and operations of the designated national plant protection organization (NPPO) and veterinary services, including risk assessment and categorization of imports, and inspection of exports and SPS certification based on the guidelines set out in the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPMs) and Terrestrial Animal Health Code. The session will also discuss interagency coordination among SPS agencies and Customs, particularly on operationalizing risk-based border controls. |  |
|   | Presenter:  |  |
|   | <b>Rob Black</b> , Team Leader, Technical Assistance (TA) 9500: Modernizing SPS Measures to Facilitate Trade  |  |
| 14:30 - 15:00                                     | Session 3: Risk Assessment and Categorization for Plant and Plant<br>Products and Legal Basis   |  |
|   | The session will (i) introduce risk assessment for plants and plant products<br>and provide guidance on legislation and composition of the risk assessment<br>team; and (ii) illustrate commodity risk categorization as the basis for border<br>controls – documentary checks, physical inspection, laboratory testing.  |  |
|   | Presenters:<br><b>Rob Black</b> , Team Leader, TA 9500<br><b>David McKellar,</b> Phytosanitary Expert, TA 9500  |  |
| 15:00 – 15:30                                     | Session 4: Risk Assessment and Categorization for Animals and Products of Animal Origin (POAO) and Legal Basis  |  |

|               | The session will (i) introduce risk assessment for animals and products of animal POAO, and provide guidance on legislation and composition of risk assessment team; and (ii) illustrate commodity risk categorization as the basis for border controls – documentary checks, physical inspection, laboratory testing. |
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|               | Presenter:<br>Helen Roberts, Risk Assessment Expert on Animals and POAO, TA 9500   |
| 15:30 – 15:50 | Session 5: Panel Q&A   |
|               | Panelists:<br><b>Rob Black</b> , Team Leader, TA 9500<br><b>David McKellar</b> , Phytosanitary Expert, TA 9500<br><b>Helen Roberts</b> , Risk Assessment Expert on Animals and POAO, TA 9500   |
| 15:50 - 16:00 | Wrap up and closing  |
|               | <b>Dorothea Lazaro</b> , Regional Cooperation Specialist, Public Management,<br>Financial Sector, and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department,<br>ADB  |
|               | <b>Davaasuren Bataa</b> , Director, Customs Control and Inspection Department,<br>Mongolian Customs General Administration   |

Reference materials are available in the CAREC website:

<u>https://www.carecprogram.org/?event=webinar-series-on-customs-and-sanitary-and-phytosanitary-measures-for-mongolia</u>