



Advanced Trade Negotiation Regional Workshop 2019 / Advanced Trade Negotiation Simulation Skills Course 2019

Host: International Institute for Trade and Development (ITD), Thailand

Venue: Bangkok, Thailand

Timing: 22-26 November, 2019 (5-day workshop)

Type: Policy Capacity Building

Aim:

To enhance trade negotiation skills within a real-world scenario through simulation exercises using proven system trade negotiation and hands on approaches

Objective

- To address the growing need of developing countries to develop a more sophisticated trade negotiation skills where high level of specialization. In this workshop, the area of focus will be Trade in services, NAMA and agriculture with related WTO Rules.
- To develop competency and application of specific trade measures and interventions or techniques through strategy development, research analysis and problem solving.

This is a follow up course from the previous WTO training on Regional Training on Trade Policy Course; "RTPC" (1.5 month programme). At minimum, all nominees must have successfully completed the "RTPC" course in order to qualify for final selection.

Scope:

 Strategies and tactics in trade negotiations specific to the services sector, NAMA and the agriculture sector

Target Audience

Fairly senior policy makers, trade negotiators from the public sector or trade economist directly involved in trade negotiation and/or directly responsible for the formulation and application of trade policy instruments in their respective countries using the WTO rules. Selected participants must have very good knowledge of NAMA, agriculture and trade in services and WTO Rules (fisheries subsidies). Priority will be given to nominees who have already completed the RTPC

and ATPC face-to-face course (Geneva and Asia) and those possessing commensurable experiences/knowledge in trade negotiation prior to applying for this course.

Total participant: 20 (max) Self nomination is not accepted. Each invited country can nominate 1 or 2 representative. However, a second place will be made available upon availability of budget and on a first come first serve basis. All nominations must be submitted through the country's Government bodies or agencies recognized by ITD.

Participating countries: All developing countries defined under the Asia-Pacific region grouping of ESCAP and the World Bank (excluding Vietnam and the Philippines)

How to Apply: Complete the ITD Application Form along with a letter of nomination from your official Government. Only typed applications will be considered for selection.

Selection: ITD reserves the right to conduct final selection. All selection will be on competitive basis and the availability of budget. All successful candidates will be notified immediately upon selection especially for countries requiring visa entries into Thailand.

Deadline: 13 November, 2019

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