

Draft Programme

**In-person Training Workshop on NTM Data Collection
For ASEAN +6 countries**

Bangkok, 28-31 May 2024

DAY 1 – Tuesday 28 May 2024	
8:45- 9:30	<p>Opening Remarks Dr. Ralf Peters, UNCTAD Dr. Lili Yan Ing, ERIA</p>
09.00- 10.30	<p>Session 1: Introduction to Non-tariff Measures</p> <p>What are NTMs? Why are they important? NTM landscape at the global level, emerging trends and issues ERIA-UNCTAD NTM project: work plan, approach</p> <p>Speaker: Ralf Peters, UNCTAD Doan Thi Thanh Ha, ERIA</p>
10.30-10.45	Coffee Break
10.45- 12.15	<p>Session 2: Regional Initiatives on NTMs</p> <p>Initiatives, issues of NTMs in ASEAN+6</p> <p>Speaker: ASEAN Secretariat on ASEAN’s NTM Initiatives (TBC) Government Officials on national NTM initiatives/issues (TBC) ERIA on NTM-related projects</p>
12.15-13.30	Lunch Break
13.30-14.45	<p>Session 3: Introduction to NTM Classification</p> <p>Structure of MAST 2019 NTM classification- by chapters</p> <p>Big picture about NTM classification, overall, to form good understanding of the scope of the overall work. Not to go into too much detail yet here.</p> <p>Speaker: Denise Penello Rial, UNCTAD</p>
14.45-15.00	Coffee Break
15.00-16.30	<p>Session 3: Introduction to NTM Classification (Cont.)</p> <p>Structure of MAST 2019 NTM classification- by chapters</p>

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DAY 2 – Wednesday, 29 May 2024

09.00- 10.30 **Session 4: Detailed Overview of NTM Classification**

More details about NTM classification. For instance, the differences between Chapter A and B, details of product description, details of entries required by TRAINS (e.g. measures objectives, measures description, etc.)

Speaker: Denise Penello Rial, UNCTAD

10.30-10.45 Coffee Break

10.45-12.15 **Session 5: Tackling Difficult Cases of NTMs**

More details about NTM classification. Learning from difficult, complicated, or confusing cases of what NTMs could be. This session should be the emphasis for the day, given that the previous session was already covered in online cases. Real examples of regulations and NTMs from RCEP countries + Quiz game

Speaker: Chi Le Ngo, UNCTAD

12.15-13.30 Lunch Break

13.30-14.45 **Session 5: Tackling Difficult Cases of NTMs (cont.)**

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Tackling difficult cases of NTMs, and Product description + Quiz game

Speaker: Chi Le Ngo, UNCTAD

14.45-15.00 Coffee Break

15.00-16.30 **Session 6: Entering data into TRAINS – Introduction**

Step by step instruction on navigating TRAINS platform, entering and editing data as a data collector. The speaker will also highlight the dos and don'ts while using TRAINS, as well as useful functions within TRAINS, such as live chat with data supervisors, using notes, etc.

Trainer from UNCTAD to demonstrate on screen, and country teams to follow along from their laptops.

Speaker: Seul Lee, UNCTAD

DAY 3 – Thursday, 30 May 2024

09.00-10.30 **Session 7: Using TRAINS to update NTMs**

UNCTAD to go through each step on using TRAINS platform to update NTMs.

Different scenarios of updating NTMs will be covered, such as:

- Correct mistakes from previous data collection round
- When a regulation gets amended or repealed

Speaker: Chi Le Ngo and Seul Lee, UNCTAD

10.30-10.45 Coffee Break

10.45-11.30 **Session 8: Experience sharing on TRAINS**

Experience sharing session from previous/old teams. Covering things such as difficult cases, problems regarding classification of NTMs, problems faced using TRAINS, communication with data supervisor, etc. Some previous/existing teams to speak about their experience.

Speaker: Vietnam national consultants, Japan national consultants

11.30- 12.15 **Session 9: Finding NTMs within regulations**

Each country group to prepare at least 3 new regulations issued by:

- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Transportation

At the end of the session, each country group will identify all NTMs within these three regulations with the help from UNCTAD and ERIA experts

Each country team to prepare the regulations they want to work with for the following day, with UNCTAD-ERIA to help them identify the measures in those regulations if needed, along with the associated agencies. If possible, each team is to gather as many relevant (and diverse sets of) regulations as possible in the allotted time to maximize the opportunity for learning for others as well. Split the groups into different rooms/tables

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15.00-16.30	<p>Session 10: Using TRAINS to enter data, exercise on entering new NTMs</p> <p>Each country team to open their own laptops, log into TRAINS, and start entering data into their respective dataset. All NTMs identified from session 9 to be entered by each team member.</p> <p>Facilitators: UNCTAD, ERIA</p>
DAY 4 – Friday, 31 May 2024	
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10.30-10.45	Coffee Break
10.45-12.15	<p>Session 10: Using TRAINS to enter data, exercise on updating NTMs (cont_)</p> <p>Each country team to prepare at least 3 amended regulations and identify with the help from ERIA-UNCTAD the scenarios of update + steps to go. If possible, each team is to gather as many relevant (and diverse set of) regulations as possible in the allotted time to maximize opportunity for learning for others as well. Split the groups into different rooms/tables.</p> <p>Facilitators: UNCTAD, ERIA</p>
12.15-13.30	Lunch Break
13.30-14.45	<p>Session 10: Using TRAINS to enter data, exercise on updating NTMs (cont.)</p> <p>Each country team to start working on their own NTM datasets and update the amended regulations on TRAINS, separately on their tables. UNCTAD-ERIA to stand by and give technical assistance where necessary.</p> <p>Facilitators: UNCTAD, ERIA</p>
14.45-15.00	Coffee Break
15.00-16.30	<p>Session 11: Wrap-up, Survey, Q&A</p> <p>Wrap up of Session 15. Q&A.</p> <p>Participants to complete Survey Questionnaires and to receive Certificates of participation in the Workshop.</p>



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16.30-16.45 **Conclusion and Way Forward**

Dr. Ralf Peters, UNCTAD

Dr. Doan Thi Thanh Ha, ERIA