





Mongolia Transit Webinar

Wednesday, 25 May 2022 15h to 18h Ulaanbaatar time (9h-12h CET) Agenda

	Opening remarks	
15:00 - 15:10 9:00-9:10 CET	Mr. Poul Hansen, Chief of Trade Facilitation Section, Trade Logistics Branch, UNCTAD Mr. Ulziisaikhan Ganbold, Director-General, Department of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation	
Session 1: Challenges for the facilitation of transit to and from Mongolia		
15:10 - 16:00 9:10-10:00 CET	The session aims at defining the main transit challenges that Mongolia faces as a Land Locked Developing Country (LLDC). The panel discussion will be around the following questions: - What are the outcomes of the latest initiatives to improve transit from and to Mongolia? - How have the pandemic and other crisis-affected transit for Mongolia? - Have international instruments, including the WTO Agreement on Trade Facilitation, improved the situation? Moderator: Ms Clariesse Chan, Associate Economic Affairs Officer, Trade Facilitation Section, UNCTAD Speakers: Customs Procedure on International Transit: Simplification Issues (10 min) Ms. Altantuya Chunag, Customs Expert, Senior Customs Officer of the Customs General Administration of Mongolia Challenges Faced by Landlocked Mongolian Importers (10 min) Ms Baigalmaa Damba, Independent Researcher, International Think Tank for Landlocked Developing Countries (ITTLLDC) Transit Challenges in Central Asia (10 min) Mr. Sandeep Raj Jain, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Facilitation and Logistics Section, UNESCAP Realizing trade facilitation benefits in Mongolia: building blocks for the implementation of the WTO TFA (10 min) Mr. Richard Chopra, Senior Customs Modernization and Trade Facilitation Advisor	
16:00- 16:20 10:00-10:20 CET	Q&A (only question sent by the Chat)	
16:20-16:25 10:20-10:25 CET	Interactive exercise	







Session 2: Tools and solutions for managing freedom of transit		
16:25 – 17:30 10:25-11:30 CET	The second session seeks at showing the available solutions to overcome some of the challenges mentioned in Session 1. The following topics will be highlighted: - Importance of developing transit and transport corridors - Operationalization of National Transit Coordinator - Available tools, including automation, for transit management Moderator: Ms Clariesse Chan, Associate Economic Affairs Officer, Trade Facilitation Section, UNCTAD Speakers: Sustainable Transit and Transport Economic Corridors for Mongolia (10 min) Ms. Luisa Rodriguez, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, UNCTAD Tools Including Automation for Transit Management (10 min) Mr. Dmitry Godunov, ASYCUDA Regional Coordinator, UNCTAD Operationalization of National Transit Coordinator (10 min) Ms. Pamela Ugaz, Economic Affairs Officer, Trade Facilitation Section, Trade Logistics Branch, UNCTAD TIR and eTIR, the present and future of a global transit system (10 min) Mr. André Sceia, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Division, UNECE Development of transit potential and supply chain resilience with TIR (10 min) Mr Viacheslav Vikentyev, IRU Deputy General Delegate to Eurasia Managing the Transit Diversion Risks (10 min) Mr. Stephen Cox, Regional Customs Administrator Advisor, IMF	
17:30- 17:50 11:30-11:50 CET	Q&A (only question sent by the Chat)	
17:50 - 18:00 11:50-12:00 CET	Closing remarks Ms. Davaa Tsendsuren, Senior Customs Officer and Secretary of the Trade Facilitation Working Group, General Customs Administration of Mongolia	