AGENDA

Non-Tariff Measures

International Center for Promotion of Enterprises (ICPE)

and UNCTAD

Ljubljana, 8 - 9 October 2014

Non-tariff measures (NTMs) are being applied to traded goods to an ever increasing extent, and represent a growing challenge for exporters, importers and policy makers. This workshop provides the opportunity to raise awareness and inform a larger audience of government officials and exporter associations that need to understand how NTMs may shape up policies in the future in countries that are actively involved in international and regional trade. Each session is followed by an interactive discussion.

8 October	Day 1
8:30 - 9:30	Registration
9:30 - 10:00	Opening Remarks
	- Dr. Janez Podobnik, ICPE Acting Director General
	- Mr. Guillermo Valles, Director, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, UNCTAD
	- Mr. Marjan Hribar, MSc, Director General, Tourism and Internationalization Directorate Ministry of Economic Development and Technology
	- Mrs. Renata Vitez, Director, CEFTA Secretariat
10:00 - 11:00	The Importance of NTMs for World Trade and UNCTAD's program on Non-Tariff Measures - Ralf Peters, Chief, Trade Information Section, UNCTAD
11:00 - 11:15	Break
11:15 - 12:45	NTMs, Trade Facilitation - Poul Hansen, Economist, UNCTAD
12:45 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:30	NTMs in Central European Free Trade Agreement Area and European Union - A. Umut Ergezer, Advisor, CEFTA Secretariat, Zorica Smileva, Macedonia, CEFTA Chair in Office, Zada Muminovic, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Jadranka Zenic Zeljkovic, Serbia, representative of Slovenia as EU Member

15:30 - 15:45	Break
15:45 - 17:00	Continuation of the previous session

9 October	Day 2
10:00 - 11:00	Regional Integration and NTMs - Ralf Peters, Chief, Trade Information Section, UNCTAD, A. Umut Ergezer, Advisor, CEFTA Secretariat
11:00 - 11:15	Break
11:15 - 12:30	NTMs Trade Facilitation Technical Assistance - Susanne Hartmann, GIZ
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 15:00	Round Table on Non-Tariff Measures, Trade Facilitation and Development - moderator from Slovenian Administration (tbc), Poul Hansen, Umut Ergezer, Santiago Fernandez de Cordoba and Dr. Sushil Mohan
15:00 - 15:15	Break
15:15 - 15:45	Example of technical training on NTMs - Santiago Fernandez de Cordoba, Economist, UNCTAD
15:45 - 16:00	Conclusions - Ralf Peters, Chief, Trade Information Section UNCTAD, Nenad Stankovic, ICPE Representative in Vienna

Resources available:

- Non-Tariff Measures to Trade: Economic and Policy Issues for Developing Countries -Developing Countries in International Trade Studies
- Classification of Non-Tariff Measures
- Guidelines to collect data on official non-tariff measures
- The economics behind non-tariff measures: Theoretical insights and empirical evidence
- A Preliminary Analysis on Newly Collected Data on Non-Tariff Measures (Study Series No. 53)
- Non-Tariff Measures: Evidence from Selected Developing Countries and Future Research Agenda

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