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THEMATIC COURSE ON TRADE IN VALUE ADDED STATISTICS AND GLOBAL VALUE CHAINS (In English) *

Geneva, Switzerland, 1-5 July 2024

The Secretariat of the World Trade Organization (WTO) is organizing a **thematic course on Trade in Value Added Statistics and Global Value Chains** at the WTO in Geneva, from 1 to 5 July 2024.

The course addresses the concepts and key policy messages from Trade in Value Added (TiVA) indicators as well as the different ways to assess the impact of Global Value Chains (GVCs) on trade. Individual sessions will cover a wide range of topics on TiVA and GVCs by alternating knowledge and experience sharing, hands-on practice, round tables and live demos. The core part of the course will be devoted to TiVA indicators used for trade analysis, the underlying methodology as well as key trade policy messages.

The course is targeted at trade statisticians and economist-statisticians involved in traderelated statistics and/or the analysis and policy making in the field of international trade. The course aims at national audience working in customs offices, national statistical offices, trade ministries or in another relevant body.

Candidates must possess an excellent ability to communicate in English, both orally and in writing, and demonstrated knowledge and professional experience in the field of trade statistics. An extensive experience in Excel software is required for hands-on exercises and also in the use of online statistical databases.

Your government is invited to present two candidates to be considered for participation in this activity. Preference will be given to candidates meeting the above-mentioned requirements and having successfully completed the WTO e-learning course "Introduction to the WTO" (access to e-learning portal: https://www.learning.wto.org/course/view.php?id=3).

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The Secretariat of the WTO will make available 30 fellowships for this activity. Each fellowship covers a round trip airplane ticket in economy class, Daily Subsistence Allowance, a Terminal Expenses Allowance, and accommodation for the duration of the course.

The attached Application Form must be returned, completed, and signed by the candidate as well as by the nominating national authority which presents the candidate, <u>via the Permanent Mission/Embassy to the WTO, at the latest by 3rd May 2024.</u>

The Application Form should be returned by email to the **WTO Institute for Training and Technical Cooperation, Logistics Unit:** logistics.unit@wto.org.

Selected participants will directly receive the confirmation of their selection, additional administrative information shortly after the selection has taken place.

The WTO Secretariat reserves the right to postpone or cancel this activity in the event of force majeure or other reasons that render the execution of the activity impracticable for the organizers.

*Français / Español

L'Organisation mondiale du commerce organise un cours thématique sur les "Statistiques du commerce en valeur ajoutée et les chaînes de valeur globales" qui se déroulera à l'OMC, à Genève, du 1^{er} au 5 juillet 2024. Ce cours étant donné en anglais, l'invitation et les formulaires de candidature et de nomination sont distribués en anglais uniquement.

La Organización Mundial del Comercio organiza un curso sobre las "Estadísticas del comercio en valor añadido y cadenas de valor mundiales" en la OMC, en Ginebra, del 1 al 5 de julio de 2024. Este curso será dado en inglés, por consiguiente, la invitación y los formularios de candidatura y de nominación serán distribuidos sólo en inglés.

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