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Mongolia

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For a national event, do you have an operational National Trade Facilitation Committee (NTFC)?	Yes
Proposed start date of activity	01 February 2022
Proposed end date of activity	04 February 2022
Language	English
The objective of the activity is to (Please identify the broad aim, more detail can be given in expected outcomes below):	Enhance the operation of the national trade facilitation committee

Brief description of activity

Brief description of activity The Forum will feature outstanding country-cases on successful trade facilitation reforms led by NTFCs. It will highlight lessons learned, best practices and current challenges in the operation of effective NTFCs. In a collaborative atmosphere, the event will also foster the creation and strengthen international cooperation initiatives in the field of trade facilitation.

Customs and trade automation:

The forum will invite world-wide experts to update participants on the latest trends in the WTO TFA implementation at the national and the regional level. Experts will also guide members of the NTFCs on how to reap the benefits from digital economy and the latest technologies such as blockchain, customs automation, trade portals, among other.

Solutions to challenges:

Policy makers, Customs officers, and business representatives will drive the discussions on the success factors in the implementation of Trade Facilitation reforms.

Partner Organisations:

The event will offer a unique opportunity for countries to get information on the available programmes at UNCTAD and partner organizations. Participants will also be given the opportunity to join the online TF LinkedIn community together with donors, regional organizations and international organizations.

Participants will include (tick as many as apply):

Ministry of Trade

Customs

Other government organizations

Private Sector

Members of the National Trade Facilitation Committee

Other: The NTFCs will be encouraged to extend the invitation to the following entities: • Chair, the secretariat and members of NTFCs • Public authority involved in NTFCs • Private sector • National donor coordinator / EIF • Geneva delegates • International and regional organizations

- Regional trade facilitation committees Regional organizations, and
- Relevant institutions

Level of TFA knowledge of participants: Intermediate

Expert

Estimated number of participants

100+

Expected outcomes from a successful workshop (select all that apply):

Enhance the operation of the national trade facilitation committee

Please identify risks that could limit the successful outcomes of the workshop: (Select all that apply)

Capacity constraints

Difficulties in engagement between private sector and NTFC

Turnover of staff leading to delays in processes

Technical training does not convert to political commitment through silos

Other: Retaining institutional memory

Has your country engaged with in-country donor/development partner representatives?

Yes