

EXECUTIVE WORKSHOP

EXECUTIVE WORKSHOP ON RULES OF ORIGIN FOR LEAST-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (LDCs)

Scientific Organiser: **Stefano Inama** | United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Seminar Room Mansarda

Villa Schifanoia, Via Boccaccio 121 - Florence

09 - 10 OCTOBER 2018

■ PROGRAMME

9 OCTOBER

- 14.30 - 14.35 Opening remarks by the EUI and UNCTAD
- 14.35 - 14.45 Opening remarks by
Ghislain Kongbo-Ngombo | Permanent Mission of the Central African Republic to the United Nations Office and other international organisations in Geneva; WTO LDC Group
- 14.45 - 15.00 Presentation of the purpose and objectives of the workshop
Elia Mtweve | Focal Point for Rules of Origin for the WTO LDC Group
- ITEM 1: RULES OF ORIGIN BASED ON A CHANGE OF TARIFF CLASSIFICATION - EXAMINATION OF THE EXISTING METHODS (NAIROBI DECISION, PARAGRAPH 1.2)**
- 15.00 - 15.45 Presentation by
Stefano Inama | UNCTAD
- 16.00 - 16.15 Q&A session
- 16.15 - 16.30 *Coffee break*

ITEM 2: PRESENTATION OF THE NOTE ON UTILIZATION RATES UNDER PREFERENTIAL TRADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR LEAST

DEVELOPED COUNTRIES UNDER THE LDC DUTY SCHEME (G/RO/W/179)

16.30 - 17.15 Presentation by
Thomas Verbeet | WTO Secretariat

17.15 - 17.30 Q&A session

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ITEM 3: EXAMINATION OF EXISTING DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS (CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN, CERTIFICATES OF NON-MANIPULATION, SELF-CERTIFICATION, REGISTERED EXPORTER SYSTEM (REX) ETC.) (NAIROBI DECISION, PARAGRAPH 3.1)

09.00 - 09.45 Presentation by
Stefano Inama | UNCTAD

09.45 - 10.00 Q&A session

10.00 - 10.30 Interactive discussion on documentary requirements with potential targeted questions/comments by preference granting countries

10.30 - 10.45 *Coffee break*

ITEM 4: USING UTILIZATION RATES AS ONE INDICATOR OF THE RESTRICTIVENESS OF RULES OF ORIGIN

10.45 - 11.30 Updates on utilization rates
Stefano Inama | UNCTAD

11.30 - 11.45 Q&A session

11.45 - 12.30 Matters arising from notified utilization rates
Pramila Crivelli | UNCTAD

12.30 - 12.45 Q&A session

12.45 - 14.00 *Lunch break*

14.00 - 14.45 Linking available utilization rates with Rules of Origin
Stefano Inama | UNCTAD
Pramila Crivelli | UNCTAD

14.45 - 15.00 Q&A session

15.00 - 15.30 Interactive discussion with potential targeted questions/comments by preference granting countries

15.30 - 15.45 *Coffee break*

ITEM 5: SUMMARY AND WAY FORWARD

15.45 - 16.15 Status of the preparation for the Committee on Rules of Origin
Darlan Marti | WTO Secretariat

16.15 - 16.30	Q&A session
16.30 - 17.00	<p>Roundtable with:</p> <p>Ghislain Kongbo-Ngombo Permanent Mission of the Central African Republic to the United Nations Office and other international organisations in Geneva, WTO LDC Group</p> <p>Stefano Inama UNCTAD</p> <p>Elia Mtweve Focal Point for Rules of Origin for the WTO LDC Group</p>
17.00 - 17.15	Conclusion on the way forward

■ **SPEAKERS**

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Stefano Inama	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
Darlan Marti	World Trade Organization
Thomas Verbeet	World Trade Organization

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Vilaxay Boupaha	Permanent Mission of Lao to Geneva
Laichea Chea	Permanent Mission of Cambodia to Geneva
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