

**Programme for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Short Trade Policy  
Course for LDCs**

**Programme du 3<sup>ème</sup> Cours de Politique  
Commerciale de courte durée pour les  
PMA**

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**3<sup>rd</sup> SHORT TRADE POLICY COURSE FOR LEAST-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (LDCs),  
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, 16 OCTOBER – 3 NOVEMBER 2000**

***THE MULTILATERAL TRADING SYSTEM AND THE GLOBAL ECONOMY***

**Venue:** Room CR II, from 9:00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m., and from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**Monday, 16 October 2000:** Opening ceremonies

**09.00 a.m.:** Opening remarks and welcome to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Short Trade Policy Course for LDCs  
**Mr. Mike Moore, Director-General, WTO**

**09.20 a.m.:** Introductory Remarks and briefing on the Third United Nations Conference  
for LDCs, Brussels, 14-20 May 2001 (LDCs-III)  
**Mr. Carlos Fortín, Deputy Secretary-General, UNCTAD**

**09.40 a.m.:** Introductory remarks  
**H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh),** Coordinator for  
LDCs

**9.50 a.m.:** Introductory Remarks  
**Mr. Denis Bélisle, Executive Director, International Trade Centre (ITC)**

**10.00 a.m.:** Opening remarks by **Dr. Cornelius Mwalwanda,** Representative of the  
Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA),

**10.10 a.m.:** Opening remarks by **Mr. M. A. Hassan, Chief, LDCs,** Representative of the  
Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and  
Pacific (ESCAP)

**10.20 a.m.:** Opening remarks by **Mme. Mere Falemaka,** Representative of the Secretary  
General of the Forum Secretariat (FORSEC)

**10.30 a.m.:** Self-presentation by participants

**12.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* **Closure of opening ceremonies** \*\*\*\*\*

**Moderator:** **Mr. Chiedu Osakwe, WTO Special Coordinator for LDCs**

**Monday, 16 October 2000:**

- 12.00 p.m.:** Overview of the Course  
**Mr. Jean-Marc Fortin, Counsellor**
- 12.30 p.m.:** Administrative and logistic information  
**Ms. Jennifer Dunn, Secretariat Working Group on LDCs/IF**
- 01.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*\*\*
- 02.30 p.m.:** Participation by Course participants in the 21<sup>st</sup> Session of the Sub-Committee on Least-Developed Countries. [Conference Room D].

**Tuesday, 17 October 2000:** MACROECONOMIC, TRADE AND FINANCE POLICIES, AND STATISTICS

- 09.00 a.m.:** The stakes in the trading system and the relationship between trade policy and macro-economic policies  
**Mr. Zdenek Drabek, Counsellor**  
**Economic Research and Analysis Division**
- 10.30 a.m.:** Coffee break
- 10.45 a.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 01.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*\*\*
- 02.00 p.m.:** Trade and Finance Approaches to Development.  
**Mr. Richard Eglin, Director**  
**Trade and Finance Division**
- 03.00 p.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 03.30 p.m.:** Coffee break
- 03.45 p.m.:** Trade Statistics and the Integrated Data Base  
**Miss. Roslyn Jackson, Director**  
**Statistics Division**
- 04.45 p.m.:** Interactive discussions
- Cocktail hosted by Mr. Miguel Rodríguez-Mendoza, Deputy Director-General (6:00 p.m., Salle des Pas Perdus of the WTO Building)**

**Wed. 18 October 2000:** WTO STRUCTURE, CORE MANDATE, RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS, AND THE DEVELOPMENT DIMENSION TO TRADE POLICY

- 09.00 a.m.:** WTO structure, objectives, core mandate and activities  
**Mr. Gerardo Thielen, Counsellor**  
**Training Division**
- 10.00 a.m.:** Interactive discussions

**10.30 a.m.:**                   **Coffee break**

**10.45 a.m.:**                   From the GATT to the WTO: a system of rights and obligations  
  **Mr. Pieter Jan Kuijper, Director**  
  **Legal Affairs Division**

**11.45 a.m.:**                   Interactive discussions

**01.00 p.m.:**                   \*\*\*\*\* **Lunch** \*\*\*\*\*

**02.00 p.m.:**                   Development Dimension of Trade Policy: Developing and Least-Developed  
Countries  
  **Mr. Peter Tulloch, Director**  
  **Development Division**

**04.00 p.m.:**                   **Coffee break**

**04.15 p.m.:**                   Interactive discussions

**Thursday, 19 October 2000:** CUSTOMS VALUATION/PRESHIPMENT INSPECTIONS/RULES OF  
ORIGIN

**09.00 a.m.:**                   Customs Valuation, Preshipment Inspection and Rules of Origin: joint  
presentation by:  
  **Mrs. Janet Chakarian-Renouf, Counsellor, Market Access Div.,**  
  **Mr. Eki Kim, Market Access Division**

**11.30 a.m.:**                   **Coffee break**

**11.45 a.m.:**                   Interactive discussions

**01.00 p.m.:**                   \*\*\*\*\* **Lunch** \*\*\*\*\*

**02.00 p.m.:**                   UNCTAD Trade-Related technical Assistance and Capacity-  
building  
  **Mr. John Cuddy, Director, International Trade Division; Acting**  
  **Special Coordinator for LDCs, Land-locked and Island**  
  **developing Countries; and –executive Secretary of the LDCs-III**  
  **Conference - UNCTAD**

**02.30 p.m.:**                   Interactive discussions

**03.00 p.m.:**                   **Coffee break**

**03.15 p.m.:**                   WTO Training Programme  
  **Mr. Claude Mercier, Director**  
  **Training Division**

**04.15 p.m.:**                   Interactive discussions

**04.45 p.m.:**                   Trade Negotiation Techniques  
  **(IMD Lausanne)**

**05.45 p.m.:**                   Interactive discussions

**Friday, 20 October 2000:** MARKET ACCESS, TRADE SUPPORT AND IMPORT LIBERALIZATION/  
TRADE IN SERVICES

**09.00 a.m.:** Market Access: opportunities and improvements for LDCs  
**Mr. Heinz Opelz, Director**  
**Market Access Division**

**10.00 a.m.:** Interactive discussions

**10.30 a.m.:** **Coffee break**

**10.45 a.m.:** Import liberalization: why is it important?  
**Mr. Patrick Low**  
**Director, Office of the Director-General**

**12.00 p.m.:** Interactive discussions

**01.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*\*\*

**02.00 p.m.:** General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS Structure and Objectives)  
**Mr. David Hartridge, Director**  
**Trade in Services Division**

**03.30 p.m.:** **Coffee break**

**03.45 p.m.:** Interactive discussions

**Monday, 23 October 2000:** AGRICULTURE/TBT/ AGREEMENT ON TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

**09.00 a.m.:** The Agreement on Agriculture:  
- LDCs' obligations and Commitments  
- LDCs' schedules for Trade in Goods [Agriculture]  
- LDCs' and Mandated Negotiations  
**Mr. Frank Wolter, Director**  
**Agriculture and Commodities Division**

**10.00 a.m.:** Interactive discussions

**10.30 a.m.:** **Coffee break**

**10.45 a.m.:** Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade: Rights and Obligations  
**Mr. Alejandro Gamboa-Alder, Counsellor**  
**Trade and Environment Division**

**11.45 a.m.:** Interactive discussions

**01.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*\*\*

**02.00 p.m.:** The Agreement on Textiles and Clothing  
**Mr. Alberto Campeas, Director**  
**Textiles Division**

**03.30 p.m.:** **Coffee break**

**03.45 p.m.:** Interactive discussions

**Tuesday, 24 October 2000:** TRADE-RELATED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND CAPACITY-BUILDING

- 09.00 a.m.:** WTO Technical Cooperation: objectives, scope and means  
**Mr. Jean-Maurice Léger, Director**  
**Technical Co-operation Division**
- 10.00 a.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 10.30 a.m.:** **Coffee break**
- 10.45 a.m.:** The WTO and LDCs: Sub-Committee on LDCs, the High Level Meeting (October 97) and the Integrated Framework  
**Secretariat Working Group on LDCs/IF**
- 12.00 p.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 01.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*\*\*
- 02.00 p.m.:** Trade remedies: Anti-dumping, Subsidies, Countervailing Measures and Safeguards  
**Mrs. Clarisse Morgan, Counsellor**  
**Rules Division**
- 03.30 p.m.:** **Coffee break**
- 03.45 p.m.:** Interactive discussions

**Wednesday, 25 October 2000:** THE DISPUTE SETTLEMENT SYSTEM

- 09.00 a.m.:** WTO Dispute Settlement: Procedures, Practices, focus on one case-study  
**Miss Kerry Allbeury, Legal Affairs Officer**  
**Legal Affairs Division**
- 10.00 a.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 10.30 a.m.:** **Coffee break**
- 10.45 a.m.:** WTO Dispute Settlement: Procedures, Practices, focus on one case-study (continued)  
**Miss Kerry Allbeury, Legal Affairs Officer**  
**Legal Affairs Division**
- 11.45 a.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 01.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*\*\*
- 02.00 p.m.:** WTO Dispute Settlement: Procedures, Practices, focus on one case-study (continued)  
**Miss Kerry Allbeury, Legal Affairs Officer**  
**Legal Affairs Division**
- 03.30 p.m.:** **Coffee break**
- 03.45 p.m.:** Interactive discussions

**Thursday, 26 October 2000:**    **ACCESSION /SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES**

**09.00 a.m.:**                    Accession: Procedures and Status of LDCs accession.  
                                      **Mr. Cato Adrian, Counsellor**  
                                      **Accession Division**

**11.00 a.m.:**                    **Coffee break**

**11.15 a.m.:**                    Interactive discussions

**01.00 p.m.:**    \*\*\*\*\* **Lunch** \*\*\*\*\*

**02.00 p.m.:**                    Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures: Rights and obligations  
                                      **Mr. João Magalhaes, Counsellor**  
                                      **Agriculture and Commodities Division**

**03.30 p.m.:**                    **Coffee break**

**03.45 p.m.:**                    Interactive discussions

**Friday, 27 October 2000:** **TRADE AND INVESTMENT/TRADE AND ENVIRONMENT**

**09.00 a.m.:**                    Trade and Investment  
                                      **Mr. Mark Koulen, Counsellor**  
                                      **Trade and Finance Division**

**11.30 a.m.:**                    **Coffee break**

**11.45 a.m.:**                    Interactive discussions

**01.00 p.m.:**    \*\*\*\*\* **Lunch** \*\*\*\*\*

**02.00 p.m.:**                    Trade and Environment: the core issues in the CTE  
                                      **Mr. Jorge Vigano, Counsellor**  
                                      **Trade and Environment Division**

**03.30 p.m.:**                    **Coffee break**

**03.45 p.m.:**                    Interactive discussions

**Monday, 30 October 2000:** **TRADE POLICY REVIEWS/ COMPETITION, TRIPS AND GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT**

**09.00 a.m.:**                    Trade Policy Review Mechanism: Status of LDCs Trade Policy Reviews  
                                      **Mr. Clemens Boonekamp, Director**  
                                      **Sergio Stamnas, Counsellor**  
                                      **Trade Policy Review Division**

**09.50 a.m.:**                    Interactive discussions

**10.10 a.m.:**                    **Coffee break**

**10.25 a.m.:**                    Trade and Competition Policy  
                                      **Mr. Robert Anderson, Counsellor**  
                                      **Intellectual Property Rights Division**

- 11.15 a.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 11.45 a.m.:** Government Procurement  
**Mrs. Vesile Kulaçoğlu, Counsellor  
Intellectual Property Division**
- 12.35 p.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 01.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*\*\*
- 02.00 p.m.:** The Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS): rights, obligations, the review process, TRIPS and development  
**Mr. Adrian Otten, Director  
Intellectual Property Division**
- 03.30 p.m.:** **Coffee break**
- 03.45 p.m.:** Interactive discussions

**Tuesday, 31 October 2000:** REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS/TRADE SUPPORT

- 09.00 a.m.:** Regional Trade Agreements in the trading system: trends and core issues  
**Mrs. Carmen Pont-Vieira, Counsellor  
Development Division**
- 10.00 a.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 10.30 a.m.:** **Coffee break**
- 10.45 a.m.:** Trade Support Services and export promotion: presentation by the International Trade Center (ITC)  
**Mr. Martin Dagata, Director  
Technical Cooperation Division, ITC**
- 11.45 a.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 01.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*\*\*
- 02.00 p.m.:** General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS Commitments and Mandated Negotiations)  
**Mr. A.-Hamid Mamdouh, Senior Counsellor  
Trade in Services Division**
- 03.00 p.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 03.30 p.m.:** **Coffee break**
- 03.45 p.m.:** The General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS LDCs' schedules of specific commitments)  
**Mr. A.-Hamid Mamdouh, Senior Counsellor  
Trade in Services Division**
- 04.45 p.m.:** Interactive discussions



**Wednesday, 1 November 2000:** INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, E-COMMERCE, NOTIFICATIONS

- 09.00 a.m.:** Information Technology and E-Commerce:  
- the Digital Divide;  
- WTO Work Programme on E-Commerce  
- WTO Web-Site; and  
- WTO Reference Centers.  
**Mr. Andrew Stoler, Deputy Director-General**
- 10.00 a.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 10.30 a.m.:** **Coffee break**
- 10.45 a.m.:** Accessing WTO Information Resources on-line and on CD-ROM  
**Mr. Jean-Guy Carrier, Publication Section,  
Information and Media Relations Division**
- 11.45 a.m.:** Interactive discussions
- 01.00 p.m.:** \*\*\*\*\* Lunch \*\*\*\*\*
- 02.00 p.m.:** Notifications: Obligations and procedures  
**Mr. Serafino Marchese, Counsellor  
Technical Co-operation Division**
- 03.00 p.m.:** **Coffee break**
- 03.15 p.m.:** Notifications: Obligations and procedures (continued)  
**Mr. Serafino Marchese, Counsellor  
Technical Co-operation Division**
- 04.00 p.m.:** Interactive discussions

**Thursday, 2 November 2000:**

- 09.00 a.m.:** Visit to the Banque cantonale de Genève
- 10.30 a.m.:** Visit to Charmilles Technologies SA machines-outils d'électro-érosion
- 03.00 p.m.:** Visit to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Geneva

**Friday, 3 November 2000:** ROUND TABLE & EVALUATION/CLOSING CEREMONIES

- 09.00 a.m.:** Round Table and Evaluation of the Course  
Statement by a designated group representative
- 11.00 a.m.:** Closing remarks and presentation of Diplomas  
**Mr. Paul-Henri Ravier, Deputy Director-General  
Mr. Ablassé Ouedraogo, Deputy Director-General**

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