



CHINA WTO ACCESSION INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

ALUMNI STORIES

Lidet, please tell us....

Where are you from, and what have you studied before joining the China Programme?

I am from Ethiopia. Before joining the China Programme, I finished my Master's degree in International Development and Governance, from the University of Pierre Mendes France and my Bachelor's degree, in Economics and Management, from the University of Lyon, France.

Why did you apply?

I applied because I wanted to gain a practical professional experience and deeper understanding of the accession process to the WTO.

What kind of work were you assigned to during your internship?

I worked as the Working Party Secretary on the Accession of Afghanistan to the WTO. One of my main responsibilities was updating the Draft Working Party Report of Afghanistan, which contained trade-related information and will serve as the basis on which Afghanistan will accede to the WTO.

Looking back, what do you think of your work experience at the WTO, and as participant of the China Programme?

My experience at the WTO provided me with a deeper and more practical understanding of the multilateral trading system and the mechanics of an accession process. It also strengthened my analytical and writing skills and enhanced my communication and organizational skills.

What have you done since?

Following my experience at the WTO, I joined the International Trade Centre (ITC) and provided trade-related technical assistance in the implementation of development projects in Africa. Since 2015, I have been working with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) supporting the implementation of a technical assistance project in 5 Least-developed countries (LDCs).

Thank you, Lidet!



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