Technical Cooperation and Training

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Background To WTO’s TRTA

- WTO is not a development agency
- TRTA has become a core function of the work of the Organization
- Mandate: To enhance the human and institutional capacities of beneficiaries to take full advantage of the rules based MTS
- TA Plans defines the strategy and priorities
- Managing for results (RBM) – please see next slide
Contributing to Four Key Results

- Government officials are implementing WTO Agreements and making full use of Members’ rights;
- Acceding governments are participating in accession negotiations, in line with WTO accession processes and procedures;
- Members are accessing and using the most recent and relevant WTO-related information and data enabling them to better enforce their rights and obligations; and
- MPs, Academia, Journalists and civil society are interacting with WTO and are dealing with trade policy and WTO-related subjects.
Preparation of 2020-2021 Plan

- Questionnaires-Informal consultation
- Demand-driven/needs assessment
- Regional Strategies
- Synergies b/w products (Progressive Learning Strategy (PLS))
- Partnerships
- Enhanced Coordination at all levels
- Results Based Management / External Evaluation
Trade Policy Courses (8 weeks)- Job/TC/16
  – Geneva-based
  – Regional

Specialized courses

Regional activities

National activities (on-line TA Form)

Needs Assessment
2020-21 Plan: Products (2)

- Academic support: integrated approach
  - Regional Trade Policy Courses
  - Workshops for University Professors
  - Geneva-based activities (doctoral studies, visiting professors, research collaboration)
  - Document dissemination
  - WTO Chairs programme

- Geneva weeks for non-resident Members/ Observers

- Internships

- Young Professionals Programme
2020-21 Plan: Products (3)

- Internships
  - NTPs
  - Mission Interns
  - Regional Coordinators
  - Regular WTO programme
2020-21 Plan: Products (4)

IT-based products

- Covid-19 Impact on TRTA-Virtual Events
- E-Learning programmes
- E-mail, on-line fora, video-conferencing
- WTO official web-site: www.wto.org
2020-21 Plan: Outreach activities (5)

- Parliamentarians
  - Regional activities
  - National activities

- Other outreach activities
  - Private sector, NGOs, & Media
2020-21 Plan: Funding

- Trust Fund (DDAGTF)
- Regular Budget
- Partnerships
PLS Approach to TA

WTO TRAINING PATHS

Generalists

Level 3
ATPC

Level 2
RTPC, eWTO

Specialists

Level 3
ADVANCED THEMATIC
Geneva, Region, eTraining

Level 2
(BASIC) THEMATIC
Geneva, Region, eTraining

LEVEL 1
INTRODUCTION COURSE
eTraining / Geneva-based for LDCs
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