

2023 ADVANCED SPS COURSE

Title of the activity	2023 Advanced SPS Course (in English)
Dates	Weeks of 9 and 16 October 2023 with a possible virtual follow-up session
Venue	Geneva, Switzerland
Eligible WTO Members and Observers	WTO least-developed and developing country Members and Observers
Pre-requisites	<p>Successful completion of the WTO e-Learning Course on the SPS Agreement. Candidates are required to have successfully completed the WTO SPS e-Learning Course by the time of their application.¹ Applications from candidates who have not successfully completed the SPS e-Learning Course will not be considered. The SPS e-Learning Course is available at: https://www.learning.wto.org.</p> <p>Before the start of the course, the selected candidates will receive a questionnaire to assess the level of implementation of the SPS Agreement in their countries. Completion and submission of the responses to the questionnaire is compulsory for participation in the course.</p> <p>Fluent in oral and written English</p>
Application	<p>Candidates must fill-in and submit the online application form which is available at:</p> <p>https://worldtradeorganization.wufoo.com/forms/2023-wto-sps-technical-assistance-application-form</p> <p>At the time of their application, candidates will also be asked to provide preliminary ideas for an action plan, aimed at addressing an implementation and/or market access challenge that they have identified in their country.</p> <p>Candidates should complete and submit the online application form by 31 May 2023.</p> <p>Incomplete forms or forms sent after the deadline will not be considered</p>
Results of the selection	<p><u>Only</u> selected candidates will be informed about the results of the selection in July 2023.</p> <p>Administrative and logistical information will be provided in due course to the selected candidates.</p>

¹ In the case of the English version, this would require completion of the set of four Courses. Please note that the content of the set of Courses is equivalent to that of the existing French and Spanish versions. Government officials who have already successfully completed the SPS e-Learning Course, in any of the available languages, are not required to undertake it again.