**WTO SPS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES IN 2019**

The WTO Secretariat plans to organize a number of specific technical assistance activities on the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS Agreement) in 2019:

- **E-Learning Course on the SPS Agreement** ([https://wtolearning.csod.com](https://wtolearning.csod.com))
  - E-Learning course in English, French and Spanish available throughout the year

- **National SPS Seminars**
  - Upon request by any WTO Member or Observer. The online application form to request a WTO National SPS Seminar is available at: [https://wto.formstack.com/forms/national_ta_requests](https://wto.formstack.com/forms/national_ta_requests)

- **Thematic SPS Workshop on Transparency and Coordination** (in English, French and Spanish)
  - In Geneva, Switzerland: 15 to 16 July 2019
  - Open to all WTO Members and observers: Least-developed and developing countries may apply for funding
  - Pre-requisite: only for government officials holding direct responsibilities in the SPS area, particularly in the implementation of the transparency provisions of the SPS Agreement or in coordination among SPS agencies at the national level, including SPS national enquiry points or national notification authorities
  - Deadline for application for funding: **26 April 2019 (extended deadline)**

- **2019 Advanced Course on the SPS Agreement** (in English)
  - In Geneva, Switzerland: 28 October to 15 November 2019
  - Eligible WTO Members and observers: Least-developed and developing countries
  - Pre-requisite: successful completion of the WTO E-Learning Course on the SPS Agreement
  - Deadline for application for funding: **3 June 2019**

- **Regional SPS Workshop for Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus** (in English)
  - In Vienna, Austria (Joint Vienna Institute): Week of 16 September 2019
  - Eligible WTO Members and observers: Afghanistan; Albania; Armenia; Azerbaijan; Belarus; Bosnia and Herzegovina; Georgia; Iran; Israel; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyz Republic; Moldova, Republic of; Montenegro; North Macedonia; Russian Federation; Serbia; Tajikistan; Turkey; Ukraine; Uzbekistan
  - Pre-requisite: preference will be given to candidates that have successfully completed the WTO E-Learning Course on the SPS Agreement by the time of their application
  - Deadline for application for funding: **3 June 2019**

For complete information on eligibility criteria, deadlines, funding, pre-requisites, and application processes please consult document **G/SPS/GEN/997/Rev.9**, and the SPS Technical Assistance gateway at: [http://www.wto.org/sps/ta](http://www.wto.org/sps/ta)