Update on TBT online tools

TBT Committee Thematic Session on Transparency

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Outline

I. Update on the TBT NSS and TBT IMS

II. Update on ePing

III. Looking ahead: consolidation of online tools?
NSS and IMS update

- **Stats:**
  - In 2020, 93% of notifications submitted via NSS
  - Since launch 108 members used the NSS

- **Updates:**
  - HS code versions included (up to HS6/2017)
  - Addenda format updates
ePing update

• Stats:
  • +12 600 users (steady rise, more private sector in 2020)
  • 160 TBT admin users in 94 countries (typically EPs)

• Key updates:
  • Comments/replies sharing function
  • Admin chat
ePing recap

**Tracking**
- eMail alert
- SPS/TBT Database

**Communicating**
- National and Inter’l Forum
- National users list
- Admin chat
Admin chat (pilot phase)

• Why?
  • TBT Committee discussions (2019 Transp. Session)
  • Capacity building requests

• Goal: connect EPs around the world:
  • Informal communication channel
  • Community / peer learning

• How?
  • ePing admin users (EPs) can set up conversation with other (selected) admin users
Overview of online TBT tools

- TBT IMS
- ISO WTO SIG
- TBT NSS
- eAgenda
- ePing

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Looking ahead: better integrated TBT tools?