WTO delivers Course on Trade in Services for Development for Least-Developed Country Members in Lao PDR

This workshop, supported by the China LDC and Accessions Programme, brought to Vientiane, Lao PDR, 32 participants from 15 LDCs from 12 to 14 October 2026. Through lectures and interactive exercises, it permitted to familiarize participants with different capacity-building tools developed in the context of the WTO-World Bank TS4D initiative, including the services trade competitiveness diagnostic dashboard, the Handbook on good regulatory practices, and the Services Trade Policy Database and Services Trade Restrictions Index.

The activity was opened by WTO DDG Xiangchen Zhang, with Mr. Yingzhi Hu, Minister Deputy Permanent Representative at the mission of China to the WTO, and H.E. Dr. Akhomdeth Vongsay, Executive Chairman of Électricité du Laos and Assistant to the Minister of Industry and Commerce.

