

WTO TRAINING COURSE ON TRADE AND GENDER PLANS FOR 2023

1. OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE

At the end of the course, participants are able to:

- a) Have a greater knowledge of the trade and gender nexus;
- b) Implement trade and gender concepts and tools to analyse and develop gender responsive trade policies;
- c) Understand how the WTO approaches the issue of trade and gender;
- d) Have access to various sources of information and data on trade and gender and understand how to use them:
- e) Understand the role and objectives of the Informal Working Group on Trade and Gender and how it functions;
- f) Have knowledge of thematic issues within the trade and gender nexus with the objective of supporting Members to mainstream gender into their policies across the board and
- g) Have better insights on how to mainstream gender issues into their work at the WTO.

2. SUMMARY OF THE COURSE CONTENT

The course focusses on gender responsive policy making.

It looks at how women's economic empowerment has become a global trend and how women represent an economic force. It also explores the development aspects of women's economic empowerment with concrete examples.

The training course explores on how trade creates economic opportunities for women and female entrepreneurs, how gender issues were integrated into the WTO and what role trade policy has in support of women's empowerment. It includes many examples of gender related trade policies adopted and implemented by WTO Members, showing specific trends in policy making. The course also includes dedicated sessions explaining the various trade and gender policy tools developed by the WTO.

The course introduces the advance programme by examining trade and gender through a thematic lens, looking at issues related to standards, health, climate change, the circular economy and education.

3. PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

- Session 1: Setting the scene and introduction to trade and gender in the WTO
- Session 2: Gender concepts and their relevance for trade
- Session 3 and 4: Gender responsive trade policy making (Part 1: Trends on how gender is integrated in trade policies and Part 2: WTO trade and gender policy tools)
- Session 5: Main Trade Policy Exercise Design your gender-responsive trade policy WTO trade and gender policy tools
- Session 6: Trade, gender and ... (Introduction to Advance Course)
- Session 7: Integrating gender into the "WTO's daily work" some food for thought
- Session 8: Conclusion and evaluation

4. CALENDAR 2023

No.	Description	Dates	Attendance	Language



1	Training Course on Trade and Gender Spring Session – Level 1	2-5 May 2023	In-person	English
2	Training Course on Trade and Gender Summer Session – Level 1	17-20 July 2023	In person	French
3	Pilot of Advanced Course on Trade and Gender	Second half of 2023	tbd	tbd
4	Technical Assistance on Trade and Gender for Delegates	Week of 23-26 October 2023 (1 day or 1.5 days)	In-person	E, F, S
5	Training Course on Trade and Gender Winter Session – Level 1	4-7 December 2023	Online	Spanish