

The Workshop

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), in cooperation with other key national and international organizations, will hold a three-day capacity building Workshop on current trade facilitation tools, techniques and implementation models in Geneva, 18 - 20 October 2004. The purpose of the Workshop is to enhance the technical and administrative knowledge and skills of trade facilitation practitioners from Trade Facilitation Procedures Organizations (Pro Organizations) and other relevant organizations focused on the facilitation of international trade.

The workshop will present in-depth training in key trade facilitation instruments such as: document harmonization and simplification, e-business standards and codes, supply chain efficiency and integration, assessment of trade facilitation needs and priorities, approaches to establishing a Single Window for the submission of trade information and documents, and other current issues in trade facilitation. Simultaneous translation will be provided in English, French and Russian.

Expected Benefits

Upon completion of the Workshop, participants will have an in-depth knowledge of key trade facilitation tools, standards, trends and practices and an enhanced capacity to implement, or encourage the implementation of, necessary trade facilitation initiatives in their country or region.

What will be covered

Day 1: Trade Facilitation Implementation Models

- Integrated Trade Facilitation model
- Supply chain efficiency through trade facilitation
- Developing a strategic approach to the identification of trade facilitation needs and assigning implementation priorities
- Organizational and financial models for Pro Organizations
- Other current issues in trade facilitation

Day 2: Standardization, Design and Implementation of Paper and Electronic Trade Documents

- Trade document standardization and harmonization using the UN Layout Key (including the use of e-standards such as UNTDED, etc.)
- Use of UN recommended codes and standards for the automation of trade information
- Core components and data modelling
- Development of digital equivalents to standardized trade documents using UNeDocs

Day 3: Single Window Development and Implementation

- Approaches to the establishment of a Single Window to enhance the efficient exchange of information between trade and government
- Presentations by experts from existing Single Window facilities in both developed and developing economies on their individual experiences in establishing a Single Window - what worked, what did not, and what were the lessons learned

Trainers / Presenters

Trainers will include experts in trade documentation alignment and simplification, e-business standards, trade facilitation recommendations, development of digital paper documents, UNeDocs, Single Window design and implementation, supply chain efficiency, and other trade facilitation trends and techniques.

Who should attend

The Workshop is targeted at trade facilitation practitioners from Pro Organizations and other relevant organizations from transition or developing economies. It is also of relevance to practitioners from developed economies.

Registration

The Workshop registration form is downloadable from the website at www.unece.org/trade

There is no charge for registration but participants are responsible for their own travel and accommodation expenses. Organisations or individuals wishing to attend are advised to register early, as space is limited.

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