MTCP: International Course for Senior Officers of Customs on The Importance of Trade Facilitation

Session 1: 19 - 23 April 2021 (ASIA) Malaysia (GMT +8) 2.00pm-6.00pm

Virtual Learning via Microsoft Teams

Trade facilitation initiatives benefit both the business community and governments. The business community benefits by obtaining enhanced competitiveness in national and international markets due to reduction in delays and costs which are achieved with predictable and efficient movement of goods across borders. Trade facilitation efforts, such as simplifying required paperwork, modernizing procedures, and harmonizing customs requirements, can slash the costs and time needed to export and import goods. This is critical as trade costs can be equivalent in developing countries. National administrations can utilize modern procedures to enhance controls, ensure proper collection of revenues due and at the same time contribute to the economic development through trade and encouragement of foreign investment.

TARGETED



PARTICIPANTS

- 1. Senior or Mid-Level
 Management Customs
 Officers, , age between
 26-50 years and had
 never participated in any
 MTCP programme
- 2. Proficient in English and possess, preferably a tertiary education, with at least 5 years of working experience in customs matters relevant to the course

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COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- ✓ To benchmark Royal Malaysian Customs' experience in the collection of revenue, promotion of trade/industrialization, enforcement of relevant legislation and secure the supply chain security;
- ✓ To enhance knowledge on the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement and its implementation;
- ✓ To discover the benefits of trade facilitation;
- ✓ To learn about the WCO Trade Facilitation initiatives
- ✓ Apply the WCO Capacity Building strategy and the SAFE (Framework of Standards to Secure and Facilitate Global Trade) programme.

COURSE CONTENT

Day 1 : Introduction to WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement

Day 2 : WCO Guidance on National Committees on Trade

Facilitation

Day 3 : Procedures and Facilitation;

Benefits Expected from Trade Facilitation;

Day 4 : WTO Trade Facilitation Negotiations;

WTO Trade Facilitation Toolkit:

Day 5 : Best Practice and Implementation of Article 1 - Article 12

ABOUT THE MALAYSIAN TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME (MTCP)

The Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP) was officially launched on 7 September 1980 at the Commonwealth Heads of State Meeting in New Delhi, India, to signify Malaysia's commitment to the South-South Cooperation, in particular, the Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (TCDC).

The MTCP emphasizes on the development of human resources through the provision of trainings in various areas which are essential for a country's development such as the public administration, good governance, health, education, agriculture, sustainable development, poverty alleviation, economy and finance, ICT and environment. Annually, Malaysia offered more than 65 capacity-building and technical assistance programmes under the MTCP, which have benefited more than 34,000 participants from 144 countries.

Objectives of MTCP:

- 1. To share development experience with other countries.
- 2. To strengthen bilateral relations between Malaysia and other developing countries.
- **3.** To promote South-South Cooperation (SSC).
- **4.** To promote technical cooperation among developing countries (TCDC).



WCO REGIONAL TRAINING CENTRE (RTC)

THE BACKGROUND OF ROYAL MALAYSIAN CUSTOMS ACADEMY (AKMAL)

Established in 1956, AKMAL is an important wing of the Royal Malaysian Customs Department (RMCD) in providing invaluable training and capacity building to the RMCD. Being one of the seven recognized World Customs Organization (WCO) Regional Training Centre (RTCs) in the Asia Pacific region, AKMAL also provides training to international customs administrations as part of the commitment as an RTC. Since AKMAL opened the training facilities to international customs administrations in 2003, AKMAL has to date, trained more than a thousand international participants from all over the world. With one main campus and five regional campuses throughout the country, AKMAL is more than capable of achieving the vision, mission and indirectly contributing to the nation's revenue.

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APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- ✓ Application should be made using prescribed MTCP forms available at:
 - https://mtcpcoms.kln.gov.my/mtcpcoms/online/list_course
- ✓ The application must be completed and endorsed by the Ministry
 of Foreign Affairs / Focal Points responsible for the MTCP
 Programme in the applicant's country, then submitted through the
 applicant's government with Note Verbal to the Ministry of Foreign
 Affairs Malaysia via the nearest Malaysian High Commission /
 Embassy.
- ✓ Incomplete and / or unendorsed forms will not be processed.
- ✓ ONLINE TRAINING LINK WILL BE SENT OUT VIA EMAIL TO SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE.
- ✓ CLOSING DATE OF RECEIVING APPLICATION: 2 APRIL 2021