**National Workshop on Electronic Commerce**

**Egypt**

**1-4 July 2024**

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| ***Day 1*** | |
| 9:00 – 9:15 | **Opening session**   * Welcome and introductory remarks   **Speaker**: Government representatives and WTO |
| 9:15 – 09:45 | **Session 1: Short introduction on the WTO and its legal framework** |
| 09:45 – 11:00 | **Session 2: Overview of e-commerce**   * E-commerce and digital trade * Recent trends and the impact of new technologies * Statistical approaches to measuring digital trade   **Speaker:** WTO |
| *11:00 – 11:30* | *Break* |
| 11:30 – 12:30 | **[Session 3: Opportunities and Challenges for SMEs in Cross-Border E-commerce**  **Speaker:** ITC] *(virtual)* [TBC] |
| 12:30 – 13:30 | **[Session 4: Private sector perspective**   * Experiences of the private sector in Egypt   **Speaker:** Private sector representatives] [TBC] |
| 13:30 – 14:30 | **Session 5: WTO Work Programme on electronic commerce**   * Decisions and Ministerial mandates * Current discussions   **Speaker:** WTO |
| ***Day 2*** | |
| 9:00 – 10:30 | **Session 6: The moratorium on customs duties on electronic transmissions**   * Background and current discussions * Roundtable with participants   **Speaker:** WTO |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | *Break* |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | **[Session 7: Digital trade and experiences in applying internal taxation**  **Speaker:** [IMF video recorded? TBC] + debate with participants] |
| 12:00 – 14:00 | **Session 8: WTO Agreements and e-commerce (PART 1)**   * Assessment of the relation between WTO Agreements and e-commerce (GATT, TFA, ITA, TRIPS, GATS)   **Speaker:** WTO |
| ***Day 3*** | |
| 09:00 – 10:30 | **Session 9: WTO Agreements and e-commerce (PART 2)**   * Assessment of the relation between WTO Agreements and e-commerce (GATT, TFA, ITA, GATS, TRIPS)   **Speaker:** WTO |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | *Break* |
| 11:00 – 13:30 | **Session 10: Joint statement on electronic commerce**   * Overview of objectives and negotiations * State of play   **Speaker:** WTO |
| 13:30 – 14:30 | **Exercise in groups** |
| ***Day 4*** | |
| 09:00 – 10:00 | **Session 11: Electronic commerce in regional trade agreements**   * Overview of RTAs with e-commerce provisions – main obligations and types of provisions   **Speaker:** WTO |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | **[Session 12: Egypt's experience in negotiating RTAs with e-commerce provisions**  **Speaker:** presentations by and debate with participants] |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | *Break* |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | **Session 13: WTO – World Bank project on Digital Trade for Africa** |
| 12:00-13:30 | **Session 14: E-commerce in Egypt**   * Egypt's digital transformation * National policies and initiatives/Domestic legal framework * Open discussion on e-commerce issues and domestic regulatory framework   **Speaker:** Debate with participants |
| 13:30 – 14:00 | **Final evaluation and closing session** |