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WORKSHOP ON THE PREPARATION FOR THE 7TH WORKING PARTY MEETING

8-9 APRIL 2026, ADDIS ABABA

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Local time	Theme	Resource person(s)
Wednesday, 8 April 2026		
8:30-9:00	Registration	
9:00-9:20	Opening remarks	H.E. Minister Dr. Kassahun Gofe (MOTRI); Anna Varyanik (Accessions Division, WTO)
9:20-10:00	Presentation on the state of play in WTO Accession	Technical Committee on WTO Accession
10:00-10:45	Presentation: Preparation for the 7 th WP meeting	Anna Varyanik (WTO)
10:45-11:15	Coffee break	
11:15-13:00	Preparation for the 7th WP meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECONOMIC POLICIES • FRAMEWORK FOR MAKING AND ENFORCING POLICIES 	Technical Committee on WTO Accession; Anna Varyanik (WTO)
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14:00-15:45	Preparation for the 7th WP meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • POLICIES AFFECTING TRADE IN GOODS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trading rights - Trade facilitation • IMPORT REGULATIONS • EXPORT REGULATIONS • INTERNAL POLICIES AFFECTING TRADE IN GOODS 	Technical Committee on WTO Accession; Anna Varyanik (WTO)
15:45-16:15	Coffee break	
16:15-18:00	Preparation for the 7th WP meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TRADE-RELATED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY REGIME • POLICIES AFFECTING TRADE IN SERVICES • TRANSPARENCY • TRADE AGREEMENTS 	Technical Committee on WTO Accession; Anna Varyanik (WTO)
Thursday, 9 April 2026		
9:00-10:45	Simulation of the 7th Working Party meeting – mock session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECONOMIC POLICIES • FRAMEWORK FOR MAKING AND ENFORCING POLICIES • POLICIES AFFECTING TRADE IN GOODS • Trading rights • Trade facilitation • IMPORT REGULATIONS • EXPORT REGULATIONS 	Steering Committee on WTO Accession; Technical Committee on WTO Accession; Anna Varyanik (WTO)
10:45-11:15	Coffee break	
11:15-13:00	Simulation of the 7th Working Party meeting – mock session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INTERNAL POLICIES AFFECTING TRADE IN GOODS • TRADE-RELATED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY REGIME • POLICIES AFFECTING TRADE IN SERVICES • TRANSPARENCY • TRADE AGREEMENTS 	Steering Committee on WTO Accession; Technical Committee on WTO Accession; Anna Varyanik (WTO)
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14:00-16:00	Wrap up session and Next steps	Technical Committee on WTO Accession; Anna Varyanik (WTO)