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**WTO Technical Regional Workshop on Fisheries Subsidies**

**for** **Central & Eastern Europe, Central Asia & Caucasus Region**

**Joint Vienna Institute (JVI), Vienna, Austria, 14-16 March 2023**

**Draft Agenda**

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| **Workshop for CEECAC Trade and Fisheries Officials** | |
| **Tuesday, 14 March 2023** | |
| 9h 30-10h 00 | Welcome and Introductions   * *Keynote speech* |
| 10h 00-11h 15 | * Global state of fisheries resources and state of fisheries subsidies * International fisheries governance – overview of relevant legal instruments |
| 11h 15-11h 30 | Coffee Break |
| 11h 30-13h 00 | * WTO basics (structure and processes, basic principles) * Other subsidies rules in the WTO (Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures, Agriculture subsidies) * *CEECAC Perspective: regional mandates on fisheries* |
| 13h 00-14h 30 | Lunch |
| 14h 30-15h 45 | * History of the WTO Fisheries Subsidies Agreement * Brief overview of the MC12 decision on Fisheries Subsidies * Open discussion |
| 15h 45-16h 00 | Coffee break |
| 16h 00-17h 30 | The disciplines – Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing, Overfished Stocks and Other Subsidies   * WTO Presentation * Open discussion |
| **Wednesday, 15 March 2023** | |
| 9h 30-10h 45 | Cross-cutting issues – Notification and Transparency and Institutional Arrangements   * WTO Presentation * Open discussion |
| 10h 45-11h 00 | Coffee Break |
| 11h 00-13h 00 | Cross-Cutting issues – Dispute settlement, Final Provisions, TACB (including the Fish Fund)   * WTO Presentation * Regional Perspective and Group Exercise on TACB needs |
| 13h 00-14h 30 | Lunch |
| 14h 30-17h 30 | *(TBD)* |
| **Thursday, 16 March 2023** | |
| 9h 30-10h 45 | Fisheries policies, including subsidies and support policies in participating countries - presentations and discussion by participants   * Fisheries policies, including subsidies and support policies in participating Members - presentations and discussion by participants |
| 10h 45-11h 00 | Coffee break |
| 11h 00-13h 00 | Fisheries policies, including subsidies and support policies in participating countries - presentations and discussion by participants (*Continued…)* |
| 13h 00-14h 30 | Lunch |
| 14h 30-15h 45 | What next – Ratification, Implementation   * WTO presentation * Presentation from Members on domestic acceptance process |
| 15h 45-16h 00 | Coffee Break |
| 16h 00-17h 00 | Second Wave Negotiations |
| 17h 00-17h 30 | Wrap up and Evaluation |

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