**National Workshop on Electronic Commerce**

**Mauritius**

**4-5 November 2025**

**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

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| ***Tuesday, 4 November*** |
| 9:00 – 9:15 | **Opening session*** Welcome and introductory remarks
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| 9:15 – 10:00 | **WTO Work Programme on Electronic Commerce** * Decisions and Ministerial mandates
* Current discussions
* Work towards MC14
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| 10:00 – 11:00 | **The moratorium on customs duties on electronic transmissions** * Background and current discussions

Roundtable with participants |
| 11:00 – 11:15 | *Break* |
| 11:15 – 12:15 | **Overview of e-commerce*** Recent trends and effects of digitalization on trade
* Statistical approaches to measuring digital trade
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| 12:15 – 14:00 | *Lunch* |
| 14:00 – 15:00 | **WTO Agreements and e-commerce (part 1)*** Assessment of the relation between WTO Agreements and e-commerce
* Overview of GATT, TFA, ITA, TRIPS
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| 15:00 – 16:00 | **WTO Agreements and e-commerce (part 2)*** Assessment of the relation between WTO Agreements and e-commerce
* Focus on GATS
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| ***Wednesday, 5 November*** |
| 09:00 – 10:00  | **Electronic commerce in regional trade agreements*** Overview of RTAs with e-commerce provisions – main obligations and types of provisions
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| 10:00 – 11:00 | **Joint statement on electronic commerce*** Overview of the agreement
* State of play
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| 11:00 – 11:15 | *Break* |
| 11:15 – 12:15 | **Opportunities and Challenges for SMEs in Cross-Border E-commerce** (ITC – tbc) |
| 12:15 – 14:00 | *Lunch* |
| 14:00 – 15:00 | **National strategies and international cooperation in support of e-commerce*** Overview of regulatory framework for an enabling e-commerce environment
* National policies and initiatives/Domestic legal framework (presentation by Government representatives - tbc)
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| 15:00 – 15:30 | **Final evaluation and closing** |