**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 |
| 9:15 – 10:00 | **WTO Work Programme on Electronic Commerce**   * Decisions and Ministerial mandates * Current discussions * Work towards MC14 |
| 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 |
| 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 |
| 15:00 – 16:00 | **WTO Agreements and e-commerce (part 2)**   * Assessment of the relation between WTO Agreements and e-commerce * Focus on GATS |
| ***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 |
| 10:00 – 11:00 | **Joint statement on electronic commerce**   * Overview of the agreement * State of play |
| 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) |
| 15:00 – 15:30 | **Final evaluation and closing** |