**WORKSHOP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 66.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT:**

**INCENTIVES FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER TO LDCS**

**14-16 March 2023**

**Centre William Rappard, WTO**

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME**

| Tuesday, 14 March 2023 (Room D) | |
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| **08:30 – 09:30** | **Registration and administrative matters for LDC participants** |
| 09:30 – 10:00 | **Opening Session**  *Review of the scope and implementation of means for technology transfer under TRIPS Article 66.2, feedback received, and progress made since the 2022 TRIPS Article 66.2 Workshop* |
| *10:00 – 10:30* | *Group photo and welcome coffee* |
| 10:30 – 12:00 | **Theme I Overview of discussion on technology transfer to LDCs in the WTO**  *Presentations by representatives of the WTO Secretariat on recent development and work on technology transfer to LDCs in various WTO bodies, including the Secretariat's summary of Article 66.2 reports submitted in 2022.* |
| 12:00 – 13:00 | Discussion |
| *13:00 – 15:00* | *Lunch break* |
| 15:00 – 16:00 | **Theme II.A LDCs' needs and priorities for technology transfer: perspectives of international organizations**  *Presentations by representatives of WTO Secretariat and other international organizations on their current and planned activities to help LDCs identify their needs and priorities for technology transfer in order to create a sound and viable technological base.* |
| 16:00 – 16:30 | Discussion |
| 16:30 – 17:30 | **Theme II.B LDCs' needs and priorities for technology transfer: national perspectives**  *Presentation by representatives of WTO LDC Members on* *their needs and priorities for technological development, experiences and challenges they confront in identifying these needs and priorities, including the summary of survey questionnaire on LDC needs and priorities for technology transfer.* |
| 17:30 – 18:00 | Discussion |

| Wednesday, 15 March 2023 (Room D) | |
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| 09:00 – 10:00 | LDC participants' meetings with Geneva based LDC delegations as preparation for the reporting segment during the TRIPS Council meeting: to be organized by the LDC Coordinator and TRIPS Focal Point |
| 10:00 – 12:00 | **Theme III: Developed country Members' experience in providing incentives to promote and encourage technology transfer under TRIPS Article 66.2**  *The representatives of developed country Member to share information and experiences in terms of incentives provided to promote and technology transfer as indicated in the 2003 TRIPS Council's Decision on the Implementation of Article 66.2 of the TRIPS Agreement.* |
| 12:00 – 13:00 | Discussion |
| *13:00 – 15:00* | *Lunch* |
| 15:00 – 16:30 | **Theme IV.A: LDCs feedback on the actions taken or planned by developed country Members in pursuance of their commitments under Article 66.2: perspective of the LDC Group** |
|  | **Theme IV.B: LDCs feedback on the actions taken or planned by developed country Members in pursuance of their commitments under Article 66.2: national perspectives** |
| 16:30 – 17:30 | Discussion |
| 17:30 – 18:00 | **Closing session**  *Review of experience shared and discussion of future steps for strengthening cooperation, enhancing future dialogue and improving effective use of transparency tools in the WTO TRIPS Council; and preparation for reporting segment during the TRIPS Council meeting.* |

| Thursday, 16 March 2023 (ROOM CR) | |
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| 10:00 – 13:00 | *LDC participants' participation and contribution of national perspective during TRIPS Council's deliberations under agenda item "Follow-up to the Annual Review Under Paragraph 2 of the Decision on the Implementation of Article 66.2 of the TRIPS Agreement in the TRIPS Council*. |

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