Notifying and tracking covid-19 related SPS and tbt measures to the World Trade Organization (WTO)

APEC Project - Virtual workshop – 1.5 hours

Platform: MSTeams

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# Welcome: Introduction and overview of the training (5 minutes) [aus/vn?]

# NOtifying SPS AND TBT MEASURES (35 minutes)

## WHY SPS AND TBT MEASURES SHOULD BE NOTIFIED AND FOLLOW BEST PRACTICE [Rolando]

General overview on transparency objectives and provisions.

Different types of notifications.

The **SPS agreement** on emergency/provisional measures, the **TBT agreement** on urgent measures

* Main provisions on emergency, urgent, provisional measures
* When is a measure considered an emergency measure, urgent or provisional?
* Which special arrangements apply?

## NOTIFYING SPS AND TBT MEASURES ISSUED IN LIGHT OF COVID-19 [Devin]

**Stats on and examples of** COVID-19 related notifications

* How many COVID-19 related notifications? How many notified as emergency/urgent/provisional? How many from APEC region? Which products covered?
* Examples of COVID-19 related measures

Key issues to consider when **notifying COVID-19 related SPS and TBT measures**

## Q&A PART I (15 MINUTES)

## TRACKING AND DISCUSSING SPS AND TBT MEASURES (30 MINUTES) [Lotte]

A. ePing **intro**

* What is the challenge?
* How can ePing help you?

B. **Tracking** COVID-19 relation notifications

* How to register and receive email alerts?
* How to set up a filter to receive alerts on COVID-19 related notifications?

C. **Discussing** COVID-19 related notifications

* How to discuss notifications domestically?
* How to share information at the international level?

## Q&A PART II (10 MINUTES)