



Draft Agenda

2nd DONOR CONFERENCE OF WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA REGION OF THE WORLD CUSTOMS ORGANIZATION

« Facilitating Trade and Securing the Logistics Chain - A priority for WCA Customs and development partners ».

May 29 – June 02, 2017

Lomé, Togo



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1st part

WCO Mercator Program:

Implementation of the WTO Agreement on Trade Facilitation (TFA)

29 May - 31 May 2017 Place : RADISSON BLU HOTEL

Monday 29 May 2017

Time	Activities	Facilitators
08:30– 09 :00	Registration	
I 09:00 – 09:45	Opening of the workshop on TFA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcoming address of the General Commissioner of OTR • Speech of WCO representative • Speech of the Sponsor: FCD China • Break (5 mn) • Speech of WCA Region Vice-chair • Speech of the representative of WCO General Secretariat • Opening address of the Minister of Economy and Finance 	Togo WCO China Office of Vice-Chair WCO Togo
09:45– 10:15	Group photo Coffee Break	
II 10:15 – 10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitution of the workshop's Bureau of session and of the Team of Rapporteurs • Consideration and adoption of the draft agenda of the workshop 	Office of Vice-Chair
III 10:30 – 11:00	Inaugural Presentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trade facilitation measures in Togo Overview and update on TFA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on the protocol, notifications and facilities of TFA, mainly regarding the situation at regional level 	OTR WCO
IV 11:00 – 12:30	The role of WCO in the implementation of TFA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on activities carried out by WCO in the framework of the Mercator Program • Presentation of ne tools and instruments developed, including the Mercator Program, to assist Members in implementing TFA 	WCO
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
V 14:00 – 16:00	Measures taken by the Ministries of Trade, Customs and the Private Sector as part of preparations for the implementation of TFA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sharing of experience of Ministries of Trade in preparing the process for the adoption of TFA, since the last regional awareness-raising workshop - Sharing of experience between Customs and the Private sector in preparations for implementation of the TFA - Questions/Answers 	Ministry of Trade of TOGO Customs administrations Private sector
16:00 – 16:30	Pause- café	

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VI 16:30 – 17:30	The Role of other International and Regional Organizations in the Implementation of TFA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentations and discussions on activities carried out by international and regional organizations in TFA matters - Questions/Answers 	WCO International Chamber of Commerce Regional Organizations
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Tuesday 30 May 2017

WCO Tools to assist Members in the implementation of TFA

Time	Activity	
VII 09:00 – 09:30	National Committees of Trade Facilitation (NCTF) : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of 23.2 of TFA on the set up and maintenance of NCTF • Outcome of WCO questionnaire 	WCO
VIII 09:30 – 10:30	Experience of Members in setting up and maintaining NCTF: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharing of experience in setting up NCTF • Questions/Answers 	Selected Speakers of the Region
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
IX 11:00 – 12:30	Article 3 – Anticipated decisions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions on national exercises and approaches to overcome challenges in legislation, scopes, etc. • Questions/Answers 	Selected Speakers of the Region
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
X 14:00 – 15:15	Coordinated border management (CBM): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions on approaches and experiences in border management with other Agencies • Single window • Questions/Answers 	OTR
XI 15:15 – 16:00	Article 10.6 - Use of customs brokers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WCO Study on Customs Brokers: Members' Experiences and Challenges • Questions/Answers 	WCO
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break	
XII 16:30 – 18:00	Customs Partnership – Companies including the Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience and outlook of relations of AEO with Customs in the framework of a partnership • Questions/Answers 	REC and Selected Speakers of the Region OTR

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Wednesday 31 May 2017

Time	Activity	
XIII 09:00 – 10:30	Article 7.6 - Establishment and publication of average time required for release: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WCO study on the time required for the release • National Exercises • Questions/Answers 	Selected Speakers of the Region
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
XIV 11:00 – 12:30	Capacity building for the implementation of TFA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on WCO activities, including joint initiatives with other international organizations • Regional Strategic Plan, Customs Modernization Initiatives and Programs • Sharing of experience in capacity building for the implementation of TFA • National initiatives and modernisation projects • Questions/Answers 	WCO Selected Speakers of the Region
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
XV 14:00– 15:30	Next stages for the Region: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of conclusions of discussions 	WCO
XVI 15:30 – 16:00	Closing of the workshop: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address of WCO representative • Address of WCO representative • Address of the Vice-chair of WCA Region • Closing speech of the host country 	WCO WCO Vice-chair Togo
19:00	End of Cocktail TFA workshop and of welcome to the 2nd Donors' Conference	

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2nd part

Donors' Conference

- 31 May – 02 June 2017 Place: RADISSON BLU HOTEL

Thursday 1st June 2017

Time	Activities	Facilitator
I 09:00 – 09:45	Opening of Donors' Conference: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcoming address of the General Commissioner of OTR• Speech of WCO Secretary General• Break• Speech of WCO-WCA Region Vice-chair• Opening Remarks of the Minister of Economy and Finance	Togo WCO Vice-Chair Togo
09:45 – 10:30	Group photo Coffee Break Establishment of the conference arrangements and of rapporteurs	
II 10:30 – 11:00	Concept, goals and participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consideration and adoption of the draft agenda of the conference• Reminder of decisions, recommendations and outcomes of the 1st donors' conference• Objectives and results expected of the 2nd Donors' Conference	Office of the Vice-Chair
III 11:00 – 12:30	Presentation of the donors presents and their programs :	Respective donors
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
IV 14:00 – 14:30	Continued : Presentation of organizations and programs of the donors present :	Respective donors
V 14:30 – 15:15	Presentation of argumentations concerning identified regional projects during the 1st donors' conference: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ECOWAS Transit Management Systems Interconnection Project (countries that have already joined the project: Burkina-Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Mali, Senegal and Togo)	Côte d'Ivoire/ ECOWAS
VI 15:15 – 15:45	Continued - Presentation of argumentations on regional projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extension of the MADAO Project to the Central Africa sub-region• Accreditation and professionalization of experts from African Customs• Development of Leadership and Management	WCO
15:45 – 16:15	Coffee Break	

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VII 16:15 – 17:00	Continued - Presentation of argumentations on regional projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhancing intelligence through increased use of CEN and nCEN Project for the continuation and extension of the sharing of river-maritime intelligence Regional programme of Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) 	Cameroon RILO WCA RILO WCA Côte d'Ivoire Ghana
VIII 17:00 – 17:30	Discussion	

Friday 02 June 2017

Time	Activity	
IX 09:00 – 10:00	Continued - Presentation of argumentations on regional projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional training workshop of trainers and managers of human resources Program of monitoring-evaluation of the implementation of the regional strategic plan of West and Central Africa Regional program of mutual administrative collaboration/regional coaching program 	ROCB-WCA
X 10:00 – 10:30	New regional project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project on regional security – SPC++ 	Nigeria
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
XI 11:00 – 13:00	Presentation of argumentations on national projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Police dog center with a regional focus B. National Customs Academy C. Institutional capacity building D. Communication strategy/Uniform E. Project of Trade facilitation and border enhancement through better risk management 	Senegal Benin Gambia Cape Verde Guinea-Bissau
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch	
XII 14:00 – 16:00	Discussions among donors and project teams	
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break	
XIII 16:00 – 17:00	Conclusion of the conference and next steps	

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XIV 17:00 – 17:30	Closing of the Conference: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vote of thanks of participants• Speech of the Vice-chair of WCO-WCA Region• Speech of WCO Secretary General• Closing remarks of the host country	Participants Office of the Vice-chair WCO Secretariat Togo
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