

WTO TBT National Workshop on The Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade

Gelian Hotel, Machakos

2nd to 3rd May 2019

Wednesday 1st May evening – Arrival of participants		
Thursday 2nd May 2019		
08:30	Registration	
09:00	Opening / Overview / Introductions (KEBS, WTO)	
09:30	The WTO, and Non-Tariff Measures (NTMs) (WTO) The trade environment, regulations and standards at the WTO. Non-tariff measures (NTMs), TBT and SPS – how do they fit together? (WTO)	
10:30	Coffee break	
10:45	The Key Disciplines – cases, examples and discussion This session will provide an overview – with the use of examples and cases – of the key disciplines of the WTO TBT Agreement (WTO)	
13:00	Lunch	
14:00	Transparency - notifications Notifications, enquiry points, raising "STCs" in the TBT Committee, using online tools to engage stakeholders (e.g. ePing). How does Kenya decide when to notify, and when to engage in the TBT Committee? What is the role of the National Notification Authority and Enquiry Point? (WTO/KEBS)	
14:45	How does the TBT Committee work? The work of the TBT Committee. How to raise "STCs", how to decide which STCs to raise. How to effectively engage with Members at the WTO on TBT matters. What are Kenya's priorities for the work of the Committee? How does the domestic Coordination Mechanism work in Kenya? (WTO/KEBS)	
15:30	Coffee break	
15:45	Kenya's trade and regulatory environment Trade and regulation: issues and trends in Kenya. What are the key challenges for Kenya in the area of regulations and standards at County level? (Trade officials)	
16:30	Close	
Friday 3rd May 2019		
09.00	KEBS in brief	
09.15	Discussion on the draft National Quality Infrastructure Policy (KEBS/WTO)	
10.30	Coffee break	
11.00	Discussion on the Standards Act (KEBS/WTO)	
13.00	Lunch	
14.00	- Plenary session - Recommendations, wrap up and way forward - Vote of thanks - Closing prayers	
16.30	Tea break	
Saturday 4 May 2019 morning - Departure		

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