



10th Meeting of Capacity Building Contact Points of Customs Administrations of the West and Central Africa Region

24-26 September 2019, Kinshasa, DRC



Draft Work Programme

Theme: Mastering project management and performance measurement for better implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) and the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA).

DAY 1 – TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2019			
ITEM	TIME	ACTIVITIES	SPEAKERS/ PARTICIPANTS
1	09h00 10h00	Opening Ceremony	ROCB WCO Secretariat Vice Chair's Office Host Country
	10h00 10h30	Coffee Break	All participants
INTRODUCTORY SESSION			
2	10h30 10h50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of participants Nomination of the Bureau of the meeting Adoption of the draft work programme Discussion on the objectives of the meeting 	Moderation : ROCB Host Country
3	10h50 11h20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation of the implementation of the recommendations of the 9th Meeting held in Yaounde 	ROCB
4	11h20 12h20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities of the RTCs since the last meeting <i>(The RTCs will be invited to present their activities and the concrete results that they have been able to obtain through their actions, notably in terms of improving the functioning of their structures)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to revitalize the Region's RTCs. <p><i>(A small panel discussion led by the AOC Vice Presidency with participation of all the delegates.</i></p> <p><i>The RTCs are requested to make concrete proposals that the ROCB will consolidate into a document that will be presented to the Contact Points)</i></p>	RTC Abuja RTC Brazzaville RTC Ouagadougou The Vice Chair's Office
5	12h20 13h00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Role of the Capacity Building Contact Point: The revision of the Strategy Paper on the said role <i>(Following the recommendation of the 9th meeting of the Contact Points, the ROCB will present a proposal for the revision of the Strategy Paper on the Role of the Capacity Building Contact Point, for the views and comments of the participants. The document will be presented at the next DGs Conference for validation).</i> 	ROCB

	13h00 14h30	Lunch Break	All participants
SESSION 1 : EVOLUTION OF THE CAPACITY BUILDING PROCESS IN THE WCA REGION			
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6	14h30 15h20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secretariat Report on WCO Capacity Building Activities in the WCA Region 	WCO Secretariat
7	15h20 16h00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report of the ROCB on its capacity building activities in the WCA Region 	ROCB
	16h00 16h20	Pause-Café	All participants
8	16h20 17h30	Implementation of the 2018-2022 Regional Strategic Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional trends arising from self-assessments of the implementation of the 2018 roadmap Feedback of member countries on the implementation of the regional strategic plan Awareness session on the self-assessment exercise 	ROCB 4 Countries ROCB
DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2019			
ITEM	TIME	ACTIVITIES	SPEAKERS/ PARTICIPANTS
SESSION 2 : Project management and performance measurement as leverages for the implementation of the TFA and AfCFTA			
9	9h00 9h30	Briefing session on the TFA and AfCFTA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The TFA: Situation of the region concerning ratification, notification of measures and participation in the Mercator Program The African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Current situation and prospects; - The impact of the AfCFTA on Customs reform and modernization; - What organizational approach at the customs level to take on board the requirements and participate in ongoing activities dedicated to the implementation of the AfCFTA? 	A Mercator Programme Advisor AUC
10	09h30 11h00	What key performance indicators for monitoring the progress of trade facilitation reform? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National experiences Discussions Towards a holistic regional model of key performance indicators and strategic dashboard. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report of the Virtual Working Group National experience Discussions 	Moderator (Still to be chosen) 2 countries (Still to be chosen) ROCB One country(Still to be chosen) RWG on IT

	11h00 11h15	Coffee Break	All participants
11	11h15 11h45	Data analysis - a modern tool for Customs performance measurement and decision-making. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General presentation on the concept • National experiences • What regional capacity building strategy for data analysis? 	Secretariat/ROCB 1 Country (Still to be chosen) ROCB/RWG on IT
12	11h45 13h00	Use of the project approach for the implementation of trade facilitation measures (TFA AfCFTA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National experiences and experiences of RECs • WCO guidance on project development • What capacity building activities in project management at national and regional level? 	Two countries and a REC A Mercator Programme Advisor Secretariat/ ROCB /RECs
SESSION 3 – EMERGING TOPICS			
	13h00 14h30	Lunch Break	All participants
13	14h30 15h30	The contribution of the Contact Points to the Annual Report on WCO Capacity Building Activities <i>(This will be a panel discussion on improving the contribution of Customs administrations in the Region to this important annual report presented to the Capacity Building Committee and the WCO Council. This report covers the regional aspects, but also the country-by-country description of the assistance received and the progress made in capacity building and customs reform. As Member countries are better placed to describe the results and the impact of the assistance they receive, it is only proper that the information published in the report should be provided by the administrations themselves via the Contact Points.</i> <i>All Contact Points are invited to come prepared to take an active part in these discussions).</i>	Moderator : Le Secrétaire de l'OMD ROCB Tous les Points de Contact
14	15h30 16h00	Approach to the evaluation of capacity building activities in the Region. <i>(The ROCB with the support of the Secretariat, will stimulate the exchange of views on the need for and the appropriate approach for the establishment of an evaluation system of capacity building activities within the WCA Region).</i>	Secretariat/ ROCB All participants
	16h00 16h20	Coffee Break	All participants
15	16h20 17h00	Capacity Building Needs Analysis <i>(Each year, the Secretariat requests Members to express their needs and priorities for technical assistance. The participation of the Members of the WCA Region remains On this agenda item the Secretariat, assisted by the ROCB will sensitize the Contact Points on the procedure, the needs analysis techniques and the content of the relevant document).</i>	Secretariat/ ROCB All Contact Points

DAY 3 – THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2019			
ITEM	TIME	ACTIVITIES	SPEAKERS/ PARTICIPANTS
CONCLUDING SESSION			
16	09h00 10h45	Presentation and awareness raising on ROCB tools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the Strategic Management, Evaluation and Decision Support Tool "THE MIRROR" • Presentation of regional website and regional emailing system 	ROCB
	10h45 11h00	Coffee Break	All participants
17	11h00 11h30	REGIONAL COACHING PROGRAMME : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on cargo electronic tracking experience of the DRC. • Regional Capacity Building Market. 	DRC ROCB
18	11h30 13h00	Presentation and consideration of the draft recommendations	All participants
	13h00 14h30	Lunch Break	All participants
19	14h30 15h00	Closing Ceremony	Host Country