

## The Workshop

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), will hold a two-day capacity-building Workshop on existing international standards and tools for the cross-border trade data harmonization in Bangkok, 10 – 11 December 2007. The purpose of the Workshop is to enhance the knowledge and skills of Government officials and trade facilitation practitioners on paperless trade for Single Window implementation and to inform on standards and best practice for trade documents such as UNeDocs and the WCO Data Model.

The workshop will be followed by a three-day hands-on Technical Training, on 12 – 14 December 2007. The Training will build the competence for a Network of Experts to develop United Nations Electronic Documents (UNeDocs) for their countries. Participants will learn to use advanced tools for data modelling, to tailor UNeDocs trade documents to the specific needs of their countries and to generate UN/EDIFACT and XML based electronic trade documents and present a solution which is ready for pilot implementation. The working language of both events is English.

## Expected Benefits

Upon completion of the Workshop and the Training, participants will have an in-depth knowledge of key cross-border trade data harmonization tools, standards and good practices and an enhanced capacity to implement, or encourage the implementation of, necessary instruments in their country.

## What will be covered

### DAY 1:

#### a) Simplification and harmonization of trade information to enhance trade efficiency

- The role of aligned trade documents in trade facilitation
- United Nations Layout Key: Basic standard
- Introduction to the UNeDocs
- A roadmap to the UNeDocs implementation

#### b) International Standards and Best Practices for Cross-Border Data Exchange

- UNeDocs and relationships with other international standards
- The WCO Customs Data Model
- Core components and data modelling
- Development of digital equivalents to standardized trade documents using UNeDocs

#### c) Regional Initiatives and Perspectives

- Current status and future directions of the Asia Pacific regional initiatives, including those of APEC and ASEAN, will be explained.

### DAY 2:

#### d) Sharing National Experiences

- National case studies in documents and data alignments, data harmonization and single window will be made by different countries in Asia Pacific.

#### e) UNeDocs Toolkit for Asia Pacific Paperless Trade

- UNeDocs Implementation and Customization
- UNeDocs interoperability, reusability and use for single window facilities.

#### f) Ways Forward

### DAYS 3 TO 5: Technical Training

The Technical Training will equip participants with the skills to implement adopting UNeDocs for paperless trade in their countries, covering the following technical issues:

- Introduction into UN/CEFACT Core Component Library
- Introduction into UN/CEFACT Naming and Design Rules
- UNeDocs Data Model
- Use of Data Modelling Tools
- Development of a national electronic trade document
- Generation of XML Schemas for electronic Documents
- Presentation of the UNeDocs user guide
- Presentation of the UNeDocs SAD
- Presentation of the UNeDocs ASEAN CEPT D
- Presentation of the UNeDocs Phytosanitary Certificate.

## Presenters/ Trainers

Presenters and trainers will include experts in trade documentation and data elements alignment and simplification, e-business standards, development of digital trade documents and UNeDocs.

## Who should attend

The first segment, the Workshop (10-11 December 2007), is targeted at trade facilitation practitioners from trade/ transport ministries, customs, national Pro Organizations, and business (such as traders, freight forwarders). The second segment, the Technical Training (12-14 December 2007), is aimed at technical experts with background in information and communication technology working in the field of public administrations related to international trade, transport or logistics.

## Registration

The Workshop registration form can be downloaded from the following website:

<http://www.unescap.org/tid/projects/tradedata.asp>

There is no charge for registration but participants are responsible for their own travel and accommodation expenses. Organisations or individuals wishing to attend are advised to register early, as space is limited.

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