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## PROGRAMME

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### **WORKSHOP**

#### Venue: United Nations Conference Centre, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room 2

#### MONDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2007

- 07:30 08:00 Registration
- 10:30 10:50 Welcome & Opening Address

Mr. Xuan Zengpei, Director, Trade and Investment Division (TID), UNESCAP Mr. Markus Pikart, Economic Affairs Officer, Trade and Timber Division, UNECE Mr. Tahseen A. Khan, UN/CEFACT Vice-Chairman, Deputy Director General, NIC, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, India

- Session 1: <u>Simplification and harmonization of trade information to enhance trade</u> efficiency
- Moderator: Mr. Xuan Zengpei, UNESCAP
- **10:50 11:50** The role of aligned trade documents in trade facilitation *Ms. Maria Misovicova, Economic Affairs Officer, Trade Efficiency and Facilitation Section, TID, UNESCAP*

Aligned Trade Documents for Efficient Trade: From paper to digital paper *Mr. Markus Pikart, UNECE* 

eCustoms in Sweden: turning the geographic challenge into a competitive opportunity *Mats Wicktor, Director, Customs Future Centre, Sweden* 

- 11:50 12:15 Discussion
- **12:15 13:15** Lunch Break
- Session 2: International Standards and Best Practices for Cross-Border Data Exchange
- Moderator: Mr. S. P. Sahu, Central Board of Excise and Customs, India
- 13:15 14:15 Introduction to the UNeDocs *Mr. Michael Dill, GEFEG, Germany* Q&A

A roadmap for implementing the UNeDocs UNeDocs and relationships with other international standards *Ms. Sue Probert, SEPIAeb, United Kingdom* Q&A

- 14:15 14:35 Tea/ coffee break
- Session 3: <u>Regional Initiatives and Perspectives</u>
- Moderator:Mr. Tahseen A. Khan, IndiaRapporteur:Mr. Serguei Kouzmine, Economic Affairs Officer, Trade and Timber Division,<br/>UNECE
- 14:35 15:25 Cross-border data exchange in the Asia-Pacific region: Current state and future directions *Mr. Sangwon Lim, Senior Researcher, Korea Institute for Electronic Commerce, Republic of Korea*

Implementing the ASEAN Single Window: State of play Mr. Quang Anh Le, Coordinator for Customs Unit, Bureau for Economic Integration, ASEAN Secretariat, Indonesia

**15:25 – 16:15** The Export Declaration exchange project between Malaysia and the United Kingdom/EU utilizing UNeDocs Data Model *Ms. Eva Chan, Manager, Strategic Business Concepts, Dagang Net Technologies Snd Bhd, Malaysia* 

The APEC 2008 project on data harmonization for paperless single window *Ms. Thayanan Phuaphanthong, Research Associate, Institute for Technology Innovation, Thailand* 

- 16:15 17:00 Discussion
- 18:00 19:30 Cocktail hosted by Axway Asia Pacific at the Royal Princess Hotel Larn Luang

#### TUESDAY, 11 DECEMBER 2007

- Session 4: Sharing National Experiences
- Moderator: Mr. Mats Wicktor, Sweden
- Rapporteur: Mr. Serguei Kouzmine, UNECE
- **08:30 09:50** National single window initiatives:

Experience of Malaysia: *Ms. Marianne Wong M.W., Senior Assistant Director of Customs, Customs Division, The Royal Malaysian Customs, Malaysia* 

Experience of Hong Kong, China: *Mr. Peter Stokes, Managing Consultant, Axway, Hong Kong, China* 

Experience of Mongolia: *Ms. Odonchimeg Lundaa, Mongolian National Trade and Transport Facilitation Committee, Mongolian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mongolia* 

Experience of the Russian Federation: *Mr. Mikhail Antipov, Head, Division for foreign trade regulation, Department for the State Regulation of Foreign Trade, the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade, Russian Federation* 

- 09:50 10:15 Tea/ coffee break
- **10:15 11:15** Single Window and Document Standardization in case of Korea's uTradeHub *Mr. Jae-Hyun Lee, Managing Director, e-Biz Support Bureau, Korea International Trade Association, Republic of Korea*

Introducing Paperless Trade in India Mr. Tahseen Khan, India

Paperless trade: policy initiatives and projects in Thailand Mr. Somnuk Keretho, Advisor on Thailand e-Logistics, Ministry of Information and Technology, Director - Institute for Information Technology Innovation, Kasetsart University, Thailand

- 11:15 12:00 Discussion
- 12:00 13:30 Lunch Break
- Session 5: UN Tools to Support the Implementation of Paperless Trade in Asia Pacific
- Moderator: Ms. Marianne Wong M.W., Malaysia
- 13:30 14:30 The use of UN Toolkit for developing aligned trade documents and e-documents *Mr. Markus Pikart, UNECE & Mr. Shanta Da Silva, Sri Lanka*

Introduction to UNeDocs Extension Module for Integrated Data Exchange at Border Crossings *Mr. Michael Dill, Germany* 

UNeDocs User Implementation Guide *Ms. Sue Probert, United Kingdom* 

Assessment of the needs for the UN Regional Network of Experts in Asia Pacific *Mr. Markus Pikart, UNECE & Ms. Maria Misovicova, UNESCAP* 

14:30 – 14:40 Report of the Rapporteur

- **14:40 15:00** Tea/ coffee break
- Session 6: <u>Summing Up and Ways Forward</u>
- Panelists: Mr. Xuan Zengpei, UNESCAP Mr. Markus Pikart, UNECE Mr. Peter Stokes, Axway, Singapore Mr. Quang Anh Le, ASEAN Secretariat
- **15:00 16:15** This session will discuss the main points arising from discussion in Sessions 1 to 5 as well the recommendation to establish the *UN Regional Network of Experts for Paperless Trade (UN NEXT)*. The recommendation will be introduced by a representative of UNESCAP. The purpose of the Network is to build up critical mass for expertise for the simplification and alignment of trade information flow and documents for single window and paperless trade initiatives at the national and regional level in the UNESCAP and UNECE member states in the Asia Pacific region.
- 16:15 16:30 Conclusions & Recommendations
- 16:30 Close of the Workshop

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### TECHNICAL TRAINING

STARTING ON: Wednesday, 12 December 2007, at 09:00 hrs.

ADJOURNIG ON: Friday, 14 December 2007, at 16:00 hrs.

VENUE: UNCC, Seminar Room 1

**CONTENT:** The Technical Training will introduce relevant technical specifications and will equip experts with the skills to develop electronic trade documents for their national projects.

The training will cover:

- Introduction into ebXML/ISO Core Components (ISO TS 15000-5)
- UNeDocs Data Model and UN/CEFACT Core Component Library
- UNeDocs Extension Module for integrated data exchange at border crossings
- Development of a national electronic Customs document
- Document Data Model
- Generation of XML Schema
- Presentation of the UN Toolkit for Trade Documents developed under the UNDA 4th Tranche
- Presentation of the UNeDocs ASEAN CEPT D

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