

KNOWLEDGE ACADEMY FOR CUSTOMS AND TRADE 2013

Rules of Origin

10-11 July 2013

Day 1 – Wednesday, July 10th, 2013, Rules of Origin

Session I: Introduction	
10:00-11:00	<p>Introduction to the program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background • Content and objectives of the program • Introduction to the rules of origin and its concepts, differences between preferential rules and general rules.
Speaker	Demos: Ulrika Lyckman-Alnered
11:00-11:30	Coffee/Tea Break
Session II: WCO activities on rules of origin; rules of origin in a global context	
11:30- 12:30	<p>The session will give a good picture on rules of origin within the area of WCO; what are the ongoing issues discussed at a global level, what are the trends and questions raised by member states. Q & A.</p>
Speaker	WCO: Atsushi Tanaka, Technical Officer
12:30-14:00	Lunch
Session III: A remedy for the “spaghetti bowl effect”; Preferential rules of origin – why should they be harmonized?	
14:00-16:00	<p>The European Commission, being the main body for the negotiations for new preferential rules of origin, will give us an introduction on their work and their dialogue with business when drafting new preferential rules of origin. The session includes Q & A.</p>
Speaker	European Commission, DG TAXUD: Guillaume Dorey
16:00-16:30	Coffee/Tea Break
Session IV: How to apply the preferential rules of origin	
16:30-17:30	<p>Preferential rules of origin and the challenges to prove origin. This session will capture the basics rules and concepts. Group exercise and discussion in plenary.</p>
Speaker	Demos: Ulrika Lyckman-Alnered

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Session V: Short recap on the basic concepts of rules of origin as well as certificates of origin; Group Exercise	
09:30-10:30	<p>This session will give a short recap on the basic elements as well as give an introduction to the certificates of origin and procedural guidelines of the ICC. The introduction will be followed by a group exercise on preferential rules of origin and discussion in plenary.</p>
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10:30-11:00	Coffee/Tea Break
Session VI: Drafting rules of origin in Free Trade Agreements (FTA)	
11:00-12:30	This session will give an introduction to the procedures of drafting the preferential rules of origin in the context of the United Nations body of UNCTAD. The session will touch upon various FTAs as well as the General Systems of Preferences (GSP). The lecture will be followed by Q & A.
Speaker	UNCTAD: Stefano Imana; Trade Lawyer
12:30-14:00	Lunch
Session VII: Benefits & Risks of preferential rules of origin	
14:00-16:00	The session will cover the precautions that business might have to take, when applying for preferences under different preferential schemes (such as the GSP) or under various FTAs. We will look upon benefits but also risks and the repayment procedures that are available. The lecture will be followed by Q & A.
Speaker	Van Bael & Bellis: Pablo Muñiz; Partner
16:00-16:30	Coffee/Tea Break
Session VIII: Group exercise, summary and closing remarks	
16:30-17:30	The group exercise and the plenary discussion will be followed by Q & A, summary and closing remarks.
Speaker	Demos: Ulrika Lyckman-Alnered