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**AGENDA OF THE SPS EXPERTS MEETING OF 11 OCTOBER 2019
TO PREPARE FOR THE WTO SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY COMMITTEE
OF NOVEMBER 2019**

The expert meeting will take place at the **Centre de conférence Albert Borschette, Room 2B Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Brussels** on **11 October 2019** from **10 AM**.

It will prepare the 76th regular meeting of the WTO Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures (SPS Committee) that will take place at the Centre William Rappard, Geneva on **7 and 8 November 2019**. The SPS Committee meeting will be preceded by a thematic session on Approval Procedures (5 November) and an informal meeting of the Committee on 6 November.

I. ISSUES RELATED TO THE NOVEMBER 2019 SPS COMMITTEE (AS LISTED IN THE WTO PROPOSED AGENDA)

- Information on relevant activities
- Specific trade concerns
- Operation and implementation of the SPS Agreement
 - Equivalence
 - Pest- and disease-free areas (Regionalization)
 - Operation of transparency provisions
 - Special and differential treatment
 - Monitoring of the use of international standards
 - Chairperson's report to CTG
 - Fifth Review
- Cross-cutting issues
- Technical assistance and cooperation
- Concerns with private and commercial standards
- Observers

II. SPS- MARKET ACCESS ISSUES

- Main developments
- Information on resolution or progress made on market access issues
- Exchange of information on other market access issues

III. PRACTICAL INFORMATION

IV. ANY OTHER BUSINESS