

AGENDA OF THE SPS EXPERTS MEETING OF 14 OCTOBER 2020

The expert meeting will take place virtually on **14 October 2020** from **10 AM**.

It will prepare the upcoming meeting of the **WTO** Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures (**SPS Committee**) that will be a virtual meeting on **5-6 November 2020** combined with a written procedure. The SPS Committee meeting was preceded by an informal consultation on 16 September 2020.

I. ISSUES RELATED TO THE NOVEMBER 2020 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
 - Control, inspection and approval procedures
 - Special and differential treatment
 - Monitoring of the use of international standards
 - Fifth Review
 - Chairperson's annual report to CTG
- 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