Expert Consultation

National strategy to enhance digital trade integration

Date: 27 February 2025
14:00–15:30 hours (Bangkok Time), Online (MS Team), invitation only

The small-group meeting aims to gather expert insights and feedback on Mongolia's draft National Strategy for Digital Trade Integration, which draws on the necessary practices to ensure Mongolia's readiness to participate in regional digital trade frameworks such as the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP). International and national experts will evaluate the strategy's recommendations, identifying gaps and areas for improvement to facilitate Mongolia's successful integration into the global digital economy.

Moderator: Dr. Enkhbold Vorshilov, National Coordinator

Counselor of the Department of International Trade and Economics, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia

14:00 Opening

14:00–14:30 – Presentation of the Draft National Strategy

The presentation will provide an overview of the draft National Strategy for Digital Trade Integration, with a focus on its overarching vision to position Mongolia as a competitive participant in global and regional digital trade ecosystems. The strategic plan of action to align with regional digital trade frameworks, particularly the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP), will be highlighted. The roadmap for implementation will also be shared, emphasizing milestones for short- and long-term actions.

- Prof. Batnasan Namsrai

14:30–15:30 – Discussions

National stakeholders and international experts will provide brief remarks to offer feedback on the strategy's strengths and areas for improvement. Each discussant will focus on specific aspects of the strategy, reflecting their expertise and background.

Discussants:

- Leonila Guglya, Digital / Services Policy and Regulatory Affairs officer, International Trade Centre (ITC)
- Martina Ferracane, Associate Professor of International Digital Trade at the School of Computing, Engineering & Digital Technologies, Teesside University
- Karin Gourdon, Trade Policy Analyst, OECD

- Ulziisaikhan G., Director General of the Department of International Trade and Economics, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia
- Bat-Ulzii B., Director General of the Department of the Digital Development Policy Implementation, Ministry of Digital Development, Innovation and Communications (TBC)
- Ninjbolor Kh., Head of Regulatory Policy and Planning Division, Communications Regulatory Commission
- Tsendsuren D., Acting Head of the Risk Management Division, Customs General Administration of Mongolia

Open discussion

Q&A

15:30 Wrap up and closing

- Dr. Witada Anukoonwattaka, Coordinator of ESCAP Digital Trade Policy Initiatives, Economic Affairs Officer, Trade, Investment and Innovation Division, ESCAP