

Meeting of Extended UNNEXT Advisory Group on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation

30 October – 1 November 2018, UNCC Bangkok

The meeting brings together selected members of UNNEXT Advisory Committee and relevant Advisory Groups as well as regional experts to work on legal and technical issues of facilitating cross-border paperless trade. The meeting will focus on selected legal and technical work items, including legal gap checklist, technical gap checklist and mutual recognition mechanism for trade-related data and documents in electronic form. The outcome of the meeting will be used as an input for the Legal and Technical Working Groups (LTWGs) of the Interim Intergovernmental Steering Group on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation in further advancing delivery of supporting documents of the draft road map.

Tentative Programme

Time	Programme
Day 1 (30 Oct.)	
0900 - 0930	Opening and Self-Introduction
0930 – 1000	Session 1: Review of progress made in cross-border paperless trade facilitation and tasks of the meeting <i>The ESCAP secretariat presents progress made on related works and overview of tasks to be worked on during the meeting.</i>
1000 - 1020	Break
1020 – 1200	Session 2: Breakout Session <i>The meeting will break into groups of legal and technical experts and work on respective tasks of improving current legal and technical gap checklists on cross-border paperless trade facilitation..</i>
1200 – 13:00	Lunch Break
13:00 – 17:00	Session 2: Breakout Session (Cont'd)
Day 2 (31 Oct.)	
0900 – 1200	Session 2: Breakout Session (Cont'd)

1200 – 13:00	Lunch Break
13:00 – 17:00	<p>Session 3: Mutual recognition mechanism for trade related data and documents in electronic form</p> <p><i>All participating experts will discuss legal and technical issues in mutually recognizing trade related data and documents in electronic form, in particular in the context of the Framework Agreement on Facilitation of Cross-border Paperless Trade in Asia and the Pacific, and work on development of feasible mechanisms for mutual recognition.</i></p>
Day 3 (1 Nov.)	
0900 – 1200	Session 3: Mutual recognition mechanism for trade related data and documents in electronic form (Cont'd)
12:00 - 1300	Lunch Break
1300 - 1600	Session 3: Mutual recognition mechanism for trade related data and documents in electronic form (Cont'd)
1600 - 1800	<p><i>Meeting of UNNExT Advisory Committee (members only)</i></p> <p><i>* Subject to confirmation</i></p>