Seminar on Trade Facilitation for Customs Officers from Developing Countries

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Organizer	Shanghai Customs College				
Time	2023-06-26 to 2023-07-09		Language for Learning	English	
Invited Countries	Developing Countries		Number of Participants	40	
Objectives of the Training Course	 to understand the latest policies and best practices of customs and trade facilitation of China Customs; to understand China's "Three Smarts" initiative which refers to Smart customs, Smart borders and Smart connectivity; to understand best practices of risk management of China Customs; to explore cooperation scenarios and intentions of the participants based on what you have learned and your national port control practices; to strengthen the strategic alignment of cooperation initiatives tailored to the participants' country and customs practices. 				
Requirements for the Participants	Professional Background	Field or specialization: customs or trade-related specialization, mainly for middle and senior customs officers engaged in the field of customs risk prevention and control, port and logistics supervision, and technology management; Priority will be given to those who are involved in customs international regulatory cooperation projectsJob position: middle and senior leveled customs officers from developing countriesLevel, academic degree or other relevant qualification requirements: high level and middle level.			
	Age	Not older than the legal retirement age of the recipient country			
	Health	Should be able to attend online training courses on time			
	Language	Participants' English listening, speaking, reading and writing skills meet the requirements of listening to lectures and discussing and communicating			
	others	Should be able to use ZOOM platform to complete the project schedule			

1. Training Goals

Enable participants to have an overall understanding of trade facilitation and its development trends and prospects; familiarize participants with the latest fruits of China Customs in reform and development, and help them learn about the practice experience and achievements of China Customs in promoting trade facilitation at the global level; make participants ready to utilize what they have learned at this seminar and put forward suggestions on promotion of trade facilitation in the region or across the globe based on their countries' actual conditions.

2. Introduction to Main Training Courses and Their Contents

- (1) China country profile: mainly introduce China's political, economic, social and cultural development in 70 years since the founding of the People's Republic of China, especially in 40 years since reform and opening-up, including accomplishments China has made during the course;
- (2) Profile of China Customs: mainly introduce the basic functions and history of development of China Customs and its latest progress in reform;
- (3) China Custom's initiative on "Smart Customs": mainly introduce efforts of China Customs in smart construction, including its ideas and practices in Smart Customs, Smart Borders, Smart Connectivity, etc.;

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- (4) Customs risk management: mainly introduce the ideas of China Customs on control of customs risks and its best practice experience;
- (5) Case of modernized customs development overview of Shanghai Customs: mainly introduce the main measures of Shanghai Customs in modernization and promotion of trade facilitation at both the regional and global levels.
- (6) Construction of FTZ and customs supervision and control in China: mainly introduce achievements and experience of China in construction of FTZ, and set out effective supervision and control measures taken by China Customs for driving FTZ development and their effect;
- (7) Anti-smuggling of China Customs: mainly introduce the best practices and experience of China Customs in cracking down on smuggling.

3. Profile of Lecturers

- (1) Xiao Jianguo: Former president of Shanghai Customs College and professor, research interests: customs laws, and legal construction of China Customs;
- (2) Wang Xiang: chief expert of the National Information Center of the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC), specialized in the functional construction and smart development of customs;
- (3) Song Yankui: head of Customs Duty Technology Division of Customs Duty Collection & Administration Bureau (Beijing-Tianjin) under the GACC, research interests: administration of place of origin and customs duty technology, with rich experience in international exchanges and cooperation;

	 (4) Li Jiuling: Professor of Shanghai Customs College, research interests: fiscal, tax and customs duty theories and practice, and undertaking research projects including the characteristic program construction of taxation of the Ministry of Education and subject of innovation of Shanghai Municipality. 4. Data that Participants Should Prepare To facilitate exchanges with Chinese experts, participants should prepare necessary seminar-related exchange data about their own country, e.g., (1) profile of customs of participant's country and the latest fruits of development; (2) basis for cooperation with China. 5. Final Examination/Assessment Final assessment will be based on the learning reports submitted by participants. 				
Host City	Shanghai City	Cities to visit	Shanghai City		
Notes	 1.ZOOM will be used as the teaching platform for this training. 2.During the teaching, participants are requested to observe the class time and teaching discipline, and the attendance record will be used as the basis for granting the training completion certificate. 3.Disciplinary requirements: Please adhere to the project agenda during the implementation of the project. No late arrivals or early departures. 4.Participants are required to prepare seminar-related materials according to the agenda and submit relevant electronic materials as required. 				
About the Organizer	Shanghai Customs College (SCC) is a full-time general higher education institution approved by the Ministry of Education and is directly under the General Administration of China Customs of the People's Republic of China. SCC aimed at, based on the customs and serving the society, cultivating versatile, applied, foreign-oriented, high-quality and high-level customs management professionals who meet the needs of customs undertakings and economic and social development, as well as foreign economic and trade professionals who serve port logistics and international business. The Shanghai Customs College is also one of the World Customs Organization (WCO) training centers for Asia and the Pacific, undertaking the training of international customs officers at middle and senior levels. In recent years, under the framework of the international cooperation strategy of the State Council and China Customs, SCC has carried out numerous international customs capacity building and technical assistance projects in line with the needs of developing countries' customs. As of May 2022, SCC has undertaken more than 260 foreign-related training programs, having trained nearly 7,000 middle and senior customs officers from more than 100 countries and regions, which has been highly evaluated by the participants.				

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