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## Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

### TBT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES IN 2006<sup>1</sup>

#### Information from the Secretariat<sup>2</sup>

The following information was provided by the WTO Secretariat at the TBT Committee meeting of 16-17 March 2006 under Agenda Item 4 on Technical Co-operation.<sup>3</sup> The tables describe TBT technical assistance activities undertaken and planned for 2006.

#### I. GENEVA-BASED EVENTS

Date	Activity	Participants	Venue	Organized by
16-17 March 2006	TBT Workshop on Different Approaches to Conformity Assessment	All Members	Geneva	WTO

#### II. REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

Date	Region	Venue	Organized by	Other participating organizations
28-30 March 2006	South America	Uruguay	WTO/ALADI	IEC, ISO, OIML
28-30 June 2006	Pacific Islands	Fiji	WTO/PIFS	IEC, ISO
November 2006	West Africa	TBC	WTO	TBC

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<sup>1</sup> The venues and dates for planned activities may change.

<sup>2</sup> This document has been prepared under the Secretariat's own responsibility and is without prejudice to the positions of Members and to their rights and obligations under the WTO.

<sup>3</sup> Tables have been updated to reflect more recently available information. Additional information, including programmes of the activities, available at: [www.wto.org/english/tratop\\_e/tbt\\_e/tbt\\_tech\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/tbt_e/tbt_tech_e.htm).

### III. MEMBER WORKSHOPS<sup>4</sup>

Date	Venue	Organized by	Other participating organizations
24-25 January 2006	San José, Costa Rica	WTO	-
29-31 May 2006	Luanda, Angola	WTO	-

### IV. PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES ORGANIZED BY OTHER AGENCIES

Date	Activity	Venue	Organized by
9-10 April 2006	CASCO Workshop for Arab and the Middle East region	Jordan	ISO

### V. TRADE POLICY COURSES<sup>5</sup>

#### A. GENEVA-BASED

Date	Name of course (language)	Organized by
Jan –Apr. 2006	35 <sup>th</sup> and 36 <sup>th</sup> Trade Policy Course (English)	WTO (ITTC)
May –Jul 2006	37 <sup>th</sup> Trade Policy Course (Spanish)	WTO (ITTC)
Sept – Dec 2006	38 <sup>th</sup> Trade Policy Course (English)	WTO (ITTC)

#### B. REGIONAL

Date	Region	Venue	Organized by
24 February 2006	Caribbean	Jamaica	WTO (ITTC)
25 May 2006	Asia / Pacific	Hong Kong, China	WTO (ITTC)
5-6 July 2006	Africa (French speaking)	Morocco	WTO (ITTC)
20 July 2006	Africa (English speaking)	Namibia	WTO (ITTC)
Autumn 2006	Latin America	Chile	WTO (ITTC)

<sup>4</sup> The delivery of national activities in 2006 depends on Members' requests, on the resources of the Secretariat to undertake them and on whether the request could be addressed through a regional activity.

<sup>5</sup> The Trade Policy Courses cover a range of WTO issues, including the TBT Agreement.