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2021 WTO Public Forum *Trade Beyond COVID-19: Building Resilience*

Parliamentary session on the theme *Strengthen the multilateral trading system through the equitable governance of work*

Wednesday, 29 September 2021
15:00 – 16:00 (CEST)

Communication from the WTO

The Swiss State Secretariat for Migration has updated the [list of States](#) for which entry restrictions into Switzerland apply as of **Monday 13 September 2021**.

According to the information provided by the Swiss authorities, nationals or residents from countries not listed are not permitted to enter Switzerland without proof of a recognized vaccination. Further details can be found on aforementioned website. We advise you to directly check the entry requirements via this [link](#).

In addition, recent Swiss COVID-19 related public meeting procedures and restrictions have obliged the WTO to apply stricter rules on access to the WTO premises during the Public Forum:

- There will be a maximum number of people authorized at the WTO premises. Once the limit is reached, people will be invited to attend virtually. To this end, please register [here](#). Registration deadline is on **27 September**.
- Enter the WTO premises, all participants will have to provide either:
 - a valid COVID-19 certificate (from Switzerland or another country); or
 - a negative test (antigen or PCR). Antigen tests can currently be obtained for free at the Geneva Cointrin Airport, or at a cost at various other venues in Geneva.

We strongly advise you to carefully consult the Swiss government site before confirming or undertaking planned travel to Geneva. In case of questions or queries, please contact the Swiss authorities directly.

Please also take good note of the above-mentioned WTO access conditions and the following safety measures: temperature screening at the entrance, wear of masks at all times. Participants who develop symptoms associated with COVID-19 should refrain from coming to the WTO.

The above rules and conditions can still be subject to further changes. We will inform you as soon as possible, should this be the case.

We apologize for the inconvenience.

The programme of the Public Forum is available [here](#). The parliamentary meeting is under Session 33 of this programme.