

ADVANCED WORKSHOP ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT AND GOVERNANCE

ANTI-CORRUPTION, SUPPLIER COLLUSION AND DOMESTIC REVIEW¹

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

13-15 NOVEMBER 2018

PROGRAMME²

Day 1 – Tuesday, 13 November 2018, Morning

- 09:00 Registration and security procedures
- 09:30 Official Opening of the Workshop

Time	Subject	<u>Speakers</u>
09:30 - 10:00	Introduction to the programme	Mr Robert Anderson WTO Secretariat
	Participant expectations and objectives	Participants

<u>Time</u>	Subject	<u>Speaker</u>
10:00 - 10.10	Keynote Address	Mr Roberto Azevêdo Director-General, WTO

SESSION 1: Government procurement as an instrument of good governance: the policy context

<u>Time</u>		Subject	<u>Speakers</u>
10:10 - 10:40	1.1.	Good governance as an imperative of the 2012 revised GPA: essential directions, requirements and questions unresolved	Mr Robert Anderson WTO Secretariat
10:40 - 11:00	1.2.	General discussion	

11:00 - 11:30

Break

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SESSION 2: Promoting good governance and preventing corruption in public procurement: foundations of good policy

Time		Subject	<u>Speakers</u>
11:30 - 12:30	2.1.	The critical role of oversight in government procurement: lessons from international experience in controlling corruption	Professor Steven Schooner George Washington University
12:30 - 12:45	2.2.	General discussion	

12:45 - 14:15

Lunch break

Day 1 – Tuesday, 13 November 2018, Afternoon

SESSION 3: Preventing corruption in public procurement systems: additional tools and approaches

<u>Time</u>		<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
14:15 - 14:45	3.1.	Trade liberalization and corruption prevention	Ms Anna Caroline Müller and Ms Antonella Salgueiro WTO Secretariat
14:45 - 15:15	3.2.	Open contracting as an anti-corruption tool: benefits and challenges	Mr Karolis Granickas Open Contracting Partnership
15:15 - 15:45	3.3.	Preventing corruption in public procurement systems: insights from recent OECD work	OECD Speaker
15:45 - 16:00	3.4.	General discussion	

16:00 - 16:15

Break

SESSION 4: National experiences with corruption control in public procurement – <u>breakout session</u>

Time		<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
16:15 - 16:20	4.1.	Introduction to the breakout session	Mr Robert Anderson WTO Secretariat
16:20 - 17:05	4.2.	Breakout session	Participants
17:05 - 17:30	4.3.	Reporting and general discussion	

17:30

Close for the Day

Day 2 – Wednesday, 14 November 2018, Morning

SESSION 5: Preventing collusion in public procurement: an essential element of procompetitive policy

Time		Subject	<u>Speakers</u>
09:30 - 10:00	5.1.	Preventing supplier collusion in public procurement markets: the essential role of competition law enforcement	Professor William Kovacic George Washington University
10:00 - 10:30	5.2.	Strengthening the role of competition law enforcement: findings from research	Professor Alison Jones King's College London
10:30 - 11:00	5.3.	General discussion	

11:00 - 11:15

Break

SESSION 6: Preventing collusion in public procurement: an essential element of procompetitive policy, *cont'd*

Time		<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
11:15 - 11:45	6.1.	Market research, transparency and procurement design as anti-collusion tools	Professor Steven Schooner George Washington University
11:45 - 12:15	6.2.	Trade liberalization as a competition enabler in the public procurement sector	Mr Robert Anderson WTO Secretariat
12:15 - 12:45	6.3.	General discussion	

12:45 - 14:15

Lunch break

Day 2 – Wednesday, 14 November 2018, Afternoon

SESSION 7: Procurement policy: the changing global context and the GPA as a supporting instrument

<u>Time</u>		<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
14:15 - 15:00	7.1.	Policy changes underway in the United Kingdom: possible results of Brexit	Professor Sue Arrowsmith The University of Nottingham
15:00 - 15:15	7.2.	General discussion	

15:15 - 15:30

Break

<u>Time</u>		<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
15:30 - 16:00	8.1.	Competition advocacy as a tool for achieving better results in public procurement	Professor William Kovacic George Washington University
16:00 - 16:30	8.2.	The role of debarment in the EBRD procurement framework	Mr Jan Jackholt EBRD
16:30 - 17:00	8.3.	Domestic review as a window into corruption and collusion problems: the Swiss experience	Judge Marc Steiner Swiss Federal Administrative Court
17:00 - 17:30	8.4.	General discussion	

SESSION 8: Additional tools for strengthening competition/deterring collusion in the public procurement sector

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Close for the Day

Day 3 – Thursday, 15 November 2018, Morning

Effective domestic review systems: an essential tool of good governance in public procurement

SESSION 9: Domestic review: issues of institutional design, options and experiences

<u>Time</u>		<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
09:30 - 09:50	9.1.	Domestic review procedures: GPA requirements	Ms Anna Caroline Müller WTO Secretariat
09:50 -10:20	9.2.	The design of review bodies: European experiences and options	Professor Sue Arrowsmith The University of Nottingham
10:20 - 10:50	9.3.	Domestic review in the United States: experiences and lessons learned	Professor Steven Schooner George Washington University
10:50 - 11:05	9.4.	General discussion	

11:05 - 11:20

Break

SESSION 10: Issues arising in challenges before domestic review bodies

<u>Time</u>		Subject	<u>Speakers</u>
11:20 - 11:50	10.1.	Issues arising prior to the contract award	Professor Sue Arrowsmith The University of Nottingham
11:50 - 12:20	10.2.	Issues arising at the award stage	Professor Steven Schooner George Washington University
12:20 - 12:45	10.3.	General discussion	

12:45 - 14:15

Lunch break

Day 3 – Thursday, 15 November 2018, Afternoon

SESSION 11: Ensuring the effectiveness of domestic review systems: defining appropriate remedies, and the human capital dimension

<u>Time</u>		<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
14:15 - 14:45	11.1.	Remedies in domestic review systems: European approaches	Professor Sue Arrowsmith The University of Nottingham
14:45 - 15:15	11.2.	The role of GPA standards in establishing effective domestic review systems: some experiences	Ms Nadezhda Sporysheva, WTO Secretariat and Ms Astghik Solomonyan, EBRD GPA TC Facility
15:15 - 15:45	11.3.	Human capital: the critical role of professionalisation in building credible procurement institutions	Professor Steven Schooner George Washington University
15:45 - 16:00	11.4.	General discussion	

16:00 - 16:15

Break

SESSION 12: Combatting corruption and collusion in public procurement: a case study in the public health sector – *breakout session*

<u>Time</u>		<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
16:15 - 16:20	12.1.	Introduction to the breakout session	Mr Robert Anderson WTO Secretariat
16:20 - 17:00	12.2.	Breakout session	Participants
17:00 - 17:20	12.3.	Reporting and general discussion	

SESSION 13: Concluding session

<u>Time</u>		<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>
17:20 - 17:35	13.1.	Individual review, evaluation and personal reflection	Participants
17:35 - 17:45	13.2.	Concluding plenary: participants' feedback and any comments	Participants
17:45 - 17:55	13.3.	Rapporteur's reflections	Professor Steven Schooner George Washington University Law School
17:55 - 18:00	13.4.	Closing remarks	Mr Robert Anderson WTO Secretariat

18:00

Close and end of Workshop