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**WTO STRUCTURED DISCUSSIONS ON
INVESTMENT FACILITATION FOR DEVELOPMENT**

PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS¹

January – May 2020

Revision

1. The proposed schedule of meetings up to May 2020 has been prepared under the Coordinator's responsibility, based on the suggested dates circulated to all WTO Members in December 2019.²
2. Following the decision taken by participating Members to move into negotiating mode as of the first substantive meeting this year³, and with a view to assisting Members in further developing the elements of a multilateral framework on investment facilitation for development in the lead-up to the Twelfth WTO Ministerial Conference (MC12), the meetings during the first semester of 2020 will continue to be organized thematically based on the broad topics of the streamlined text prepared by the Coordinator under his responsibility and circulated to all WTO Members on 17 January 2020.⁴
3. Each of the three substantive meetings – in March, April and May – will allow participating Members to review all the elements of the streamlined text, as well as of any other available text proposals or contributions, on a thematic, element-by-element basis. At every meeting, Members will have the opportunity to revert to issues discussed at previous meetings or raise any other investment facilitation-related issues they may wish. The Coordinator may convene additional inter-sessional meetings as appropriate.
4. Work will continue to be Member-driven and outcome-oriented. Members are encouraged to actively participate in the discussions and to provide their concrete views/positions on the different issues under consideration at each meeting.
5. In keeping with the open, transparent, and inclusive nature of the discussions, all WTO Members are invited and encouraged to participate in the meetings.
6. The proposed schedule of meetings is without prejudice to the position of any Member on the issues under discussion.

Proposed schedule of meetings up to May 2020

27 February 2020	Organizational meeting (1 day)
12-13 March 2020	First substantive meeting (2 days)
21-23 April 2020	Second substantive meeting (3 days)
13-15 May 2020	Third substantive meeting (3 days)
28-29 May 2020	Preparatory meeting ahead of MC12 (2 days)

¹ The revision concerns only the date of the organizational meeting, which will now be held on 27 February.

² E-mail sent on behalf of the Coordinator to all WTO Members on 16 December 2019.

³ See the summary of the meeting of the Structured Discussions on Investment Facilitation for Development held on 12 December 2019, contained in document INF/IFD/R/10, dated 17 January 2020.

⁴ The streamlined text, contained in document INF/IFD/RD/45 dated 17 January 2020, was prepared following the request made by participating Members at the 'stock-taking and next steps' meeting of the Structured Discussions held on 12 December 2019.