THIRTY-SIXTH GATT COMMERCIAL POLICY COURSE OPENS IN GENEVA

The thirty-sixth Commercial Policy Course organized by GATT opened on 1 August 1973. The course, for French-speaking officials, will run until 14 December 1973. There are 20 participants, drawn from 19 countries.

The GATT secretariat has organized such commercial policy courses twice a year since 1955. Their purpose is to enable government officials from developing countries to become familiar with the functioning of GATT and to study problems of trade and development policies. The participants hold, or are expected to hold in the future, positions which give them responsibilities in the formulation and conduct of foreign trade policy in their countries.

Fellowships for these courses are provided by the United Nations Development Programme.

Over the past seventeen years, 423 officials from 93 countries have participated in the commercial policy courses. The courses are conducted by officers of the GATT secretariat with the participation of guest lecturers from governments, other international organizations and academic institutions.

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