The forty-ninth Commercial Policy Course organized by GATT opens on 18 February 1980. The course, for English-speaking officials from developing countries, will run until 11 June. There are twenty-one participants, drawn from as many countries.

Each year since 1955 the GATT secretariat organizes in Geneva two trade policy courses: one in English from February to June, and the other in French from August to December. The courses are open to officials from developing countries, whether or not members of GATT, who have, or may in future have, responsibilities in the formulation and conduct of foreign trade policy in their countries.

The courses, which have a practical orientation, aim at giving the participants greater understanding of trade policy matters and full knowledge of the work being done by GATT. Special attention will be paid to the agreements on liberalizing trade and improving international trading rules which resulted from the recently-concluded Tokyo Round of multilateral negotiations in GATT. It is hoped in this way to make the participants better prepared for the tasks awaiting them in their own administrations. Lectures are also given on the work done by other international organizations in the field of trade policy.

Since the programme was set up, 688 officials from 103 countries and two regional organizations have participated in the commercial policy courses. In addition to GATT secretariat officials, many guest lecturers are invited to contribute, including senior officials of government delegations and international organizations, university professors, etc.
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