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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Director
Biodiversity Management Bureau
Climate Change Service
Environmental Management Bureau
Forest Management Bureau

FROM : The OIC Director
Policy and Planning Service

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO THE TRADE AND SUSTAINABILITY
WEBINAR SERIES**

DATE : 09 JUN 2022

This is to extend the invitation from the Department of Trade and Industry – Bureau of International Trade Relations (DTI-BITR) to the forthcoming Trade and Sustainability Webinar Series slated on July 2022.

The webinar series will be composed of five (5) sessions on trade and sustainability which will be conducted virtually on **07, 19, 21, 27, and 29 July 2022**, at **3:00 pm** via **Zoom**. The expert speakers from Sidley Austin LLP based in Geneva, Switzerland will explore the wide range of issues at play at the nexus of trade, sustainable development, and law. Kindly refer to the attached provisional program provided by DTI.

Specifically, the discussion will focus on the following:

- 1) International trade and environmental law;
- 2) World Trade Organization (WTO) initiative on environment; and
- 3) Packages under the EU Green Deal e.g., Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism and Deforestation.

To confirm your participation, please accomplish the online registration form through the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/rj8riGbJJK> no later than **30 June 2022**. The Zoom meeting details and relevant materials will be sent to confirmed participants in due course.

For your information and appropriate action, please.


MELINDA C. CAPISTRANO

06 June 2022

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Dear Sir/Madame:

Greetings from the DTI-Bureau of International Trade Relations!

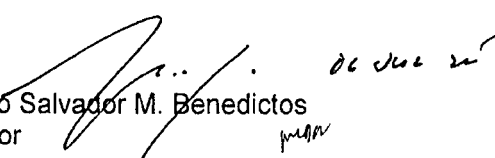
This refers to the Trade and Sustainability Webinar Series being organized by the DTI's Bureau of International Trade Relations (DTI-BITR) in collaboration with Sidley Austin LLP based in Geneva, Switzerland. The webinar series will be composed of five (5) sessions on trade and sustainability to discuss, among others, the relationship between international trade law and international environmental law, WTO initiatives on the environment, EU Green Deal (e.g., Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism and Deforestation). Kindly refer to the attached provisional program for your reference.

In this regard, we are pleased to invite you and/or your representative to participate in the webinar series which will be conducted virtually on **07, 19, 21, 27 and 29 July 2022, at 3:00 pm** via Zoom. To confirm your participation, kindly accomplish the online registration form through the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/rj8riGbJkK> **no later than 30 June 2022**. The Zoom meeting details and relevant materials will be sent to confirmed participants in due course.

For further inquiries and clarifications, you may contact Ms. Norma Arpafo (NormaArpafo@dti.gov.ph), Ms. Shaira Granada (ShairaSteffanyGranada@dti.gov.ph), and Ms. Kareen Eltagon (KareenHopeEltagon@dti.gov.ph) of the DTI-BITR.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the webinar series.

Sincerely,


Angelo Salvador M. Benedictos
Director

BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE RELATIONS

BITR Capacity Building
Trade and Sustainability Webinar Series
 07,19, 21, 27 and 29 July 2022
 via Zoom

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

Session 1 (07 July 2022; Thursday) 15:30 – 16:45 <i>TSW 1: Rules and Principles of International Environmental Law</i>	
15:30 – 15:40	Opening Remarks Assistant Secretary Allan B. Gepty Industry Development and Trade Policy Group Department of Trade and Industry
15:40 – 16:20	<i>Main Presentation 1:</i> <i>“Rules and Principles of International Environmental Law”</i> Sidley Austin LLP
16:20 – 16:40	Open Forum
16:40 – 16:45	Facilitator to Close the Session 1
Session 2 (19 July 2022; Tuesday) 15:00 – 16:30 <i>TSW 2: International Environmental Law Relevance with International Trade Law</i>	
15:00 – 15:05	Introduction of Speaker
15:05 – 16:05	<i>Main Presentation 2:</i> <i>“International Environmental Law Relevance with International Trade Law”</i> Sidley Austin LLP
16:05 – 16:25	Open Forum
16:25 – 16:30	Facilitator to Close the Session 2
Session 3 (21 July 2022; Thursday) 15:30 – 16:30 <i>TSW 3: Overview of EU Green Deal</i>	
15:30 – 15:35	Introduction of Speaker
15:35 – 16:15	<i>Main Presentation 3:</i> <i>“Overview of EU Green Deal”</i> Sidley Austin LLP
16:15 – 16:25	Open Forum
16:25 – 16:30	Facilitator to Close the Session 3

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Session 4 (27 July 2022; Wednesday) 15:00 – 16:30 <i>TSW 4: EU's Proposed Deforestation Regulation</i>	
15:00 – 15:05	Introduction of Speaker
15:05 – 16:05	<i>Main Presentation 4:</i> <i>"EU's Proposed Deforestation Regulation"</i> Sidley Austin LLP
16:05 – 16:25	Open Forum
16:25 – 16:30	Facilitator to Close the Session 4
Session 5 (29 July 2022; Friday) 15:00 – 16:30 <i>TSW 5: EU's Proposed Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)</i>	
15:00 – 15:05	Introduction of Speaker
15:05 – 16:05	<i>Main Presentation 5:</i> <i>"EU's Proposed Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)"</i> Sidley Austin LLP
16:05 – 16:25	Open Forum
16:25 – 16:30	Closing Remarks Director Angelo Salvador M. Benedictos Bureau of International Trade Relations (BITR) Department of Trade and Industry