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## WTO CHAIRS PROGRAMME

### *Extension of the deadline for applications*

Following several requests for an extension of the deadline for applications of the WTO Chairs programme, the WTO is extending this deadline to **15 February 2021**. It has been brought to our attention that due to the year-end holidays and the pandemic several applicants are facing difficulties completing their application. In order to allow university chairs from developing countries, least developed countries, recently acceded and acceding Members to duly complete their applications, the deadline is extended for the completion of both, expression-of-interest forms and application forms, available at <http://wtochairs.org/expression-interest>.

For over ten years, the WCP has been providing support and promoting trade-related academic activities by universities and research institutions in beneficiary countries. The programme is aimed at empowering universities and academic institutions in beneficiary Members engaging with government and other influential stakeholders in trade policy decisions. Capacity building activities under the WCP relate to development of teaching curricula, research and trade-related policy advice, and outreach activities. The WTO Chairs are part of existing law and economics faculties and selected in a thorough selection process. Chair holders and the WCP secretariat are advised by an Academic Advisory Board comprised of more than a dozen professors and experts of high standing.

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