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Invitation to the 13th CHRDI Experts Workshop on AEO For African and Asia-Pacific Customs Officials

[Customs Human Resources Development Institute (CHRDI), Cheonan, KOREA, November 13–26, 2022]

Dear Director General,

It is my great honor to invite your country to the **13th CHRDI Experts Workshop on AEO for African and Asia-Pacific Customs Officials** at Customs Human Resources Development Institute (CHRDI) in Cheonan City, Republic of Korea, from November 13 to November 26, 2022.

CHRDI of the Korea Customs Service (KCS) will invite customs officials specialized in AEO programme from Africa and the Asia-Pacific region to seek ways for the development of AEO programme of participating countries.

Participants will be able to attend training courses in English and interact with instructors and other attendees during Q&A and discussion sessions.

The program will be organized and sponsored by CHRDI in cooperation with the Korea AEO Association.

This year's workshop aims at providing intensive training on the most pertinent topics in AEO programme.

Its theme is "International cooperation in the African and Asia-Pacific region through human network with AEO experts – Capacity Building for AEO introduction and settlement support in developing countries."

Experts in AEO programme will give presentations and have discussions on several topics including

- 1. Global trend in AEO Programme
- 2. Practical Application to meet AEO Authorization Criteria
- 3. The role of AEO Consultants to develop AEO Scheme
- **4. AEO Best Practice**

Participants will have unique opportunities to:

- 1. Participate in a large number of activities such as group discussion, hands-on practice, addressing a variety of AEO issues from different perspectives;
- 2. Discuss the practical application to meet AEO authorization criteria, including how AEOs can enhance compliance and security management;
- 3. Learn about successes and challenges of Customs and the private sector in implementing AEO programmes.
- 4. Exchange innovative ideas and visions, examine potential opportunities, and the steps required to settle successful AEO programs to the next level.

During the workshop, CHRDI will *provide accommodation, meals and basic domestic transportation* (including pick-up from the airport upon arrival on November 13th) *in Korea free of charge for one participant* from your country.

With regard to air ticket arrangement, we will reimburse the participant for a flight ticket they book for themselves (round-trip, economy class) on the basis of costs actually incurred.

The upper limits of reimbursement for airfare by regions based on the past records of reimbursement amount are as follows:

- 1. 2,000 USD for Asian participants
- 2. 2,500 USD for OCO participants
- 3. 3,000 USD for African participants

Daily per-diem(most of the charges are directly paid by CHRDI)and traveler's insurance fees will <u>NOT</u> be granted.

The qualifications for participants are as follows:

- 1. Proficiency in the English language
- 2. Middle manger or working-level customs officials with over 3-year experience in AEO fields
- 3. No record of attending any seminars or workshops (in-person) hosted by the KCS (including CHRDI) in the last $5\ \mathrm{years}$

They are requested to complete and submit the attached **registration form** to CHRDI (<u>cbcti@korea.kr</u>) no later than <u>October 13th</u>. Participants will be given priority in terms of selection in order of application received and we will send the selected participants the confirmation letter before <u>October 20th</u>.

We strongly advise you to submit the form before the deadline.

It is highly recommended that participants send <u>country report presentation materials</u> in advance via e-mail at <u>cbcti@korea.kr</u> no later than <u>November 7th</u>.

In addition, after the workshop, the participants should submit *follow-up reports* on how to apply what they have learned from the workshop to AEO system of their home countries by *December 30th*.

If you have any comments or ideas to be included for the program, please make suggestions on the registration form. We will try to take your opinions into account when selecting agenda items.

Your reply with the registration form before the due date(<u>October 13th</u>) will be very much appreciated. Should you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact Ms. Jang at the followings (e-mail preferred):

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In closing, I hope the workshop will contribute to a strong global customs network as well.

I look forward to welcoming your delegation here in Korea.

Sincerely yours,

KIM Eun-kyung

Deputy Director General

Customs Human Resources Development Institute

Korea Customs Service

File Attachments: 1. Tentative Schedule

2. Registration Form