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**For the attention of the Members of the WCO Asia/Pacific Region,**

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Dear Director General,

I am pleased to inform you that the World Customs Organization (WCO), with the financial support of the Customs Cooperation Fund of Korea (CCF K), is holding a regional (Asia/Pacific) pre-accreditation workshop for Technical and Operational Advisors (TOAs) on Data Analytics (DA). The workshop, which is intended for English-speaking participants and will be delivered face-to-face, is provisionally scheduled to be held from **13 to 17 January 2025** in the Republic of Korea.

Its objective is to build a pool of highly qualified experts capable of promoting the WCO's standards and tools and conducting capacity-building activities relating to DA on behalf of the WCO.

The pre-accreditation workshop, which will take place in English, will be an opportunity for candidates with proven experience in the field of DA to demonstrate their strategic and operational skills and their capacity to work within an international team. The proposed candidates should have a high level of competency in the areas referred to in Annex I on DA accreditation assessment criteria.

The candidates successfully completing the workshop will then be invited to participate in a mission in a country or online, and, based on the evaluation of their performance, they may be granted accreditation as WCO Technical and Operational Advisors on DA.

If you would like to propose one or two candidate(s) for this workshop, please complete the attached NOMINATION FORM (Annex II) and return it by **18 October 2024**. The selected candidates will be informed by e-mail no later than 8 November 2024.

Please note that the WCO will cover the cost of participation in the workshop (travel, accommodation) for **One (1)** participant per country. This will cover an economy-class air ticket and subsistence allowance (including accommodation) as admissible under the WCO rules.

Should you require further information on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Joel CHOI, WCO Technical Officer (e-mail: [joel.choi@wcoomd.org](mailto:joel.choi@wcoomd.org)), Mr. Giovanni GAETA, WCO Technical Officer (e-mail: [giovanni.gaeta@wcoomd.org](mailto:giovanni.gaeta@wcoomd.org)), Mr. Hongik KANG, WCO Technical Attache (e-mail: [hongik.kang@wcoomd.org](mailto:hongik.kang@wcoomd.org)).

I look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,

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### ANNEXES:

- ANNEX I: Accreditation assessment criteria.
- ANNEX II: Nomination form.