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Dear Director General,

I am pleased to inform you that the World Customs Organization (WCO), with the generous support of the Customs Cooperation Fund of Korea (CCF/Korea) is holding a Global Pre-accreditation Workshop (Workshop) for Technical and Operational Advisors (TOAs) on Data Analytics (DA). The Workshop, which will be delivered in person, is provisionally scheduled to be held from 14 to 18 December 2026 at the WCO Headquarters in Brussels, Belgium.

The objective is to extend the pool of highly qualified experts capable of promoting WCO standards and tools and conducting capacity-building activities in the field of DA on behalf of the WCO.

The pre-accreditation workshop will be conducted in English and will provide 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 the competencies indicated in the expert profile included in Annex I.

Candidates who successfully complete this workshop will then be invited to take part in a mission, in-person or online, and, depending on the capabilities they demonstrate at that time, may be granted accreditation as WCO Technical and Operational Advisors on DA.

If you would like to propose one or two candidates for this workshop, please complete the attached nomination form (Annex II) and return it by 30 September 2026. The event is limited to 12 participants, and the selected candidates will be informed by email no later than 15 October 2026.

Please note that the cost (travel, accommodation, and daily subsistence allowance) for one (1) participant per Member will be covered by the Customs Cooperation Fund of Korea. This will include an economy class air ticket, accommodation and per diem for the selected participants.

Please be advised that the WCO does not cover the risk of accidents, hospitalization costs, or medical repatriation. Participants must ensure that they are covered by a personal insurance policy, or the one provided by their administration, for the entire duration of the activity, including travel. Similarly, the responsibility for visa arrangements lies with participants and their Administrations.

Should you require any further information on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Joel Choi, WCO Technical Officer (joel.choi@wcoomd.org) or Mr. Mohan Pudasaini, WCO Project Officer (mohan.pudasaini@wcoomd.org).

I look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary General

Enclosures: Annex I Candidate profile and assessment methods.
 Annex II Nomination form.