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International Trade Policy Workshop for Caribbean Members

Impact of the EU-UK Trade and Co-operation Agreement on the Triangular Supply Chains of Caribbean Exporters

Thursday 5 May 2022, from 1400-1530 GMT

Prior to the departure of the UK from the European Union (EU), commonly known as Brexit, third country exporters faced the same customs union rules for shipping goods both to the UK and the EU. Once entered either in the UK or the EU these goods could freely move within the single market. The Trade and Co-operation Agreement (TCA) between the UK and the EU, which came into effect on January 2021, has altered these arrangements, affecting the operations of triangular supply chains of ACP countries including 12 Commonwealth members in the Caribbean region.

This joint workshop will discuss the findings of a study by the Commonwealth Secretariat and the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean on the implications of the TCA for the Caribbean region's exports. It will also review the policy options to mitigate any adverse effects of this constantly evolving trade policy landscape.

Speakers

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