



## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### Proposed calendar of virtual WCO meetings from January to July 2021<sup>1</sup>

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In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the World Customs Organization (WCO) has continued to carefully assess the prevailing global circumstances. The current travel context, linked to the uncertainty regarding when physical meetings at the WCO will resume, has led the WCO to review its calendar of meetings for the first half of 2021 and to foresee arrangements in order to possibly conduct these meetings in a virtual manner, including a series of document-based consultations when necessary.

After consultation with the Council Chairperson, the Secretariat has developed an updated calendar of virtual meetings scheduled to take place from January to July 2021:

Meeting	Initial planned dates	New confirmed dates for the virtual meetings
28 <sup>th</sup> Global RILO Meeting	19 - 20 January	19 - 20 January
19 <sup>th</sup> CEN Management Team (CENMaT) Meeting	21 - 22 January	21 - 22 January
58 <sup>th</sup> HS Review Sub-Committee	18 - 27 November 2020	27 - 29 January 1 February 10 - 12 February 17 February
59 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Data Model Project Team	25 - 29 January	25, 26, 27 January 29 January
18 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Administrative Committee for the Customs Convention on Containers, 1972	28 - 29 January	28 January
39 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Technical Committee on Rules of Origin	2 - 3 February	2 - 3 February
15 <sup>th</sup> GIIS Project Group Meeting	4 - 5 February	4-5 February
15 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Audit Committee	8 - 9 February	8-9 February

<sup>1</sup> Meetings of the Private Sector Consultative Group (PSCG) are not included in this list. However, it is important to note that the PSCG will continue to meet online on a regular basis.

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SAFE Review Meeting	N/A	15-16 February
Global Meeting of WCO Regional Structures	18 -19 February	18 - 19 February
12 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Capacity Building Committee	22 - 24 February	22 - 24 February
20 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Integrity Sub-Committee	25 - 26 February	25 - 26 February
24 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Revised Kyoto Convention Management Committee	1 - 5 March	1 - 5 March
13 <sup>th</sup> Meeting Working Group on Trade Facilitation Agreement	25 - 26 February	8 - 9 March
Global Origin Conference	N/A	10 - 12 March
41 <sup>st</sup> Session of the Enforcement Committee	22 - 26 March	22 - 26 March
105 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Finance Committee	29 March – 1 April	29 March - 1 April
67 <sup>th</sup> Harmonized System Committee	8 - 19 March	12 - 13 April 19 - 20 April 26 - 27 April 29 - 30 April
25 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the SAFE Working Group	15 – 16 April	14 - 16 April
3 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Working Group on Performance Measurement	19 - 20 April	21 - 22 April
60 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Data Model Project Team	26 – 30 April	26 - 29 April
231 <sup>st</sup> /232 <sup>nd</sup> Sessions of the Permanent Technical Committee	4 – 7 May	4 - 7 May
52 <sup>nd</sup> Session Technical Committee on Customs Valuation	17 – 21 May	17 - 21 May
AEO Conference	15 - 17 February	25 - 27 May
25 <sup>th</sup> Meeting Revised Kyoto Convention Management Committee	7 – 11 June	7 - 11 June

84 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Policy Commission	21 -23 June	<i>Dates remain unchanged. The Council Chairperson and the Vice-Chairpersons will reconvene in 2021 to determine the format and arrangements for the meeting.</i>
138 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Council	24 – 26 June	<i>Dates remain unchanged. The Council Chairperson and the Vice-Chairpersons will reconvene in 2021 to determine the format and arrangements for the meeting.</i>
E-Commerce Conference	28 June	28 - 29 June
WCO Knowledge Academy	29 June – 3 July	5 - 9 July

Detailed arrangements for each individual meeting will be provided separately, in conjunction with the respective letters of invitations and agendas. As a general rule, sessions of a maximum duration of 3 hours are foreseen for each of the indicated virtual meeting days.

The Secretariat will continue to monitor the situation and provide Members with updates, as necessary. These arrangements have been made taking into consideration the current developments linked to the COVID-19 measures. Physical meetings could potentially be reconsidered at a later stage, should the situation allow, and updates in this regard would be provided in due course.

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