

Women in Trade Facilitation

CONFERENCE CALL
20 DECEMBER 2016

Attendance :

Present :	Absent Interested parties :
Paloma BERNAL TURNES (US) Daniel SARR (SN) Alina FETISOVA (UNECE)	Maria Rosaria CECCARELLI (UNECE) Arantza SANCHEZ (UNECE) Mitsuru ISHIGAKI (JP) Malinka KOPARANOVA (UNECE) Josephine BIAMONTE (USA) Princess Estelle IGWE (NG)

Summary of the 20/12/2016 Conference Call :

During the conference call we went through the draft of the project White Paper that has been reviewed considering data from the Doing Business 2017 Report.

We agreed to reshape some paragraph to integrate more information about unequal labour rights and international standards, that prevent women to develop entrepreneurship careers. We agreed also to present a more positive image of women informal trade, that is only the consequence of trade barriers that shall be reduced.

Some of the participants of the project volunteered to provide some inputs on different chapters of the index, that need to be completed. But the editorial work will start on the current version with the ultimate goal to have a fifteen pages White Paper.

It has been agreed, considering the great findings of the workgroup, that this White Paper might evolve to be a recommendation.

As a conclusion, it has been decided that a final conference call will be organized after the Christmas and new year eve break, before moving to next ODP process.