





CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO FACILITATE AND COORDINATE TRADE SHORT COURSES DELIVERY

With the advent of rapid globalization, international trade has gained prominence across the nations of the world. Moreover, the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA), established in 2018, aims at accelerating intra-African trade and boosting Africa's trading position in the global market by strengthening Africa's common voice and policy space in global trade negotiations. On a positive note, Rwanda has been experiencing inclusion in the regional and international trade blocks and underwent rapid rationalization of trade policies and beefed up its educational programmes to suit better the growing human resource needs of this sector. Against this backdrop, the UR World Trade Organization(WTO) Chairs Programme (WCP) is planning to offer trade related courses to interested finalist UR undergraduate students (3rd year) in business, economics, law, and social sciences related disciplines from August 2025 (intake 1) to September 2025 (intake 2). The short courses include:

- Trade and Development
- International trade law and development
- Trade Policy and Trade Agreements

The major objective of the training is to equip the participants with competence-based skills in international trade area. This international trade related short courses constitute an exceptional opportunity for finalist students (2024–2025) as they get ready for the labour market. In particular, they will acquire required skills in the field of business relations, and enable them to grow into market research analysts, international logistics specialists, or export managers, among other roles.

Certificates of successful completion will be awarded to students who will satisfactorily complete the short courses.

Timing of the short courses:

Short courses schedule		¥**
Short courses	Period	Time: Working Days ONLY
International trade law and development	August 2025	9: 00 to 12:00 p.m
Trade and Development	August 2025	9: 00 to 12:00 p.m
Trade Policy and Trade Agreements	August 2025	9: 00 to 12:00 p.m

Training venue: Gikondo Campus.

The candidates should have the following profile:

- Being a UR staff holding a relevant PhD degree in economics, law, management or a Master's Degree in those areas and a certificate of completion of TRAPCA courses
- Able to facilitate the courses by means of formal and participative lectures supported by the use of case studies
- Able to apply the problem based learning approach during the courses delivery
- Able to adopt the student's centred approach whereby most of the activities will be done by the students facilitated by the lecturer

Interested and qualified candidates are invited to send their expression of interest (including application letter and CV) in one PDF document through e-mail to the WTO Chair (<u>ibarayandema@ur.ac.rw</u>) with a copy to the WTO Co-Chair (<u>fniragire@ur.ac.rw</u>). The deadline for submission of applications is 14/07/2025 at 12:00.

Only qualified candidates will be contacted for further steps including signing a contract.

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