

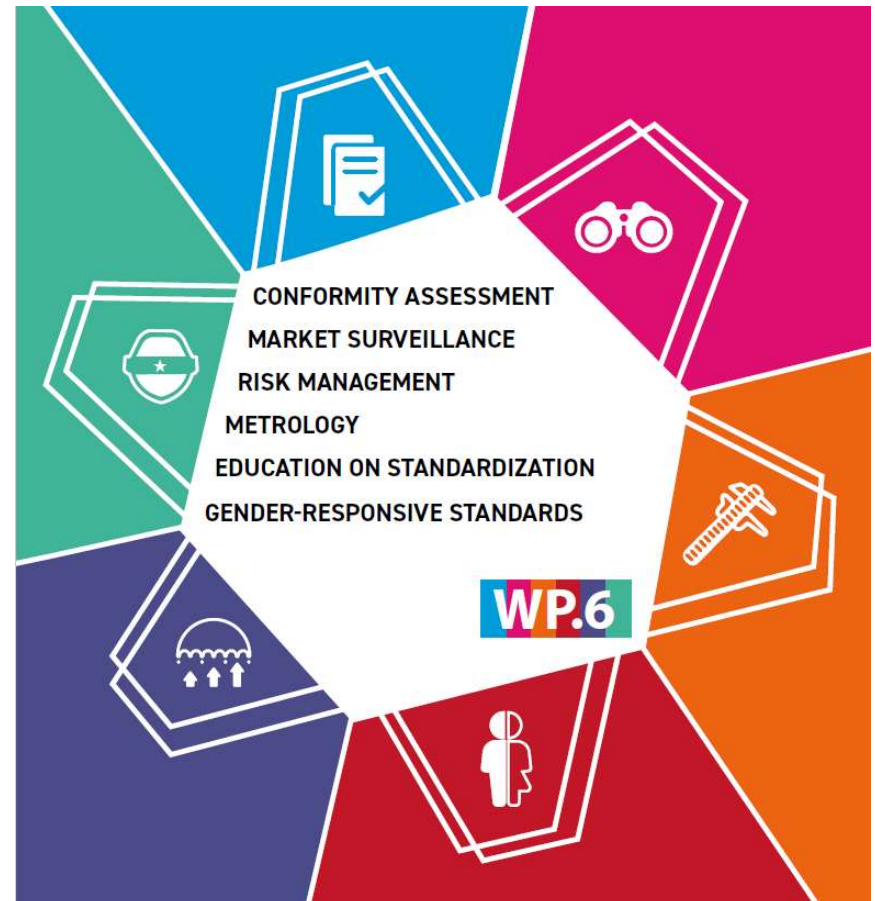
Basics of Quality Infrastructure for Trade

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- Clarifying the base concepts
 - to ensure that everyone is on the same page
 - to highlight the work under WP.6
- Conferences organized on the topic on 22 May 2023 (2nd Forum) and 7 November 2022 (32nd Session)
- The rest of the WP.6 segment of the SCTCS meeting will showcase some of the chapters of this publication and the plans for next steps.
- Transformed into a publication: a good introductory document to quality infrastructure

Basics of Quality Infrastructure for Trade



- Publication [ECE/TRADE/478](#)
- Each chapter written by a prominent expert in that field
- The basic principles of quality infrastructure in Part I
 - Standardization
 - National technical regulations
 - Metrology
 - Market surveillance
 - Accreditation and conformity assessment
 - Risk management

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- Publication [ECE/TRADE/478](#)
- Part II integrated quality infrastructure into a global picture:
 - International regulatory cooperation
 - Cooperation between government agencies
 - [Quality infrastructure and gender](#)
 - Quality infrastructure and sustainable development
 - Technical regulation of products with embedded digital technologies

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- Who is the target audience?
 - Those with little knowledge of QI or those wishing to reconfirm their basic knowledge of QI.
 - This may include government representatives in the missions working on trade-related issues
- The WTO just released a guidelines on conformity assessment procedures (G/TBT/54). It does start off from an assumption that the reader knows the base principles.
 - The “Basics” publication can be used to help to understand the base principles and better utilize this guidelines.
 - 50 copies of the “Basics” publication was brought to the last TBT Committee Meeting. They were all taken within 15 minutes...

Series of “Basics” publications



- Near finalization of a “Basics of risk management in regulatory systems”
 - Core concepts (regulatory reform, market surveillance, border clearance, conformity assessment, integrated risk management, business risk)
 - In business (business risk management system, international supply chain, risk competence)
 - Emerging issues (circular economy, AI, gender)
 - Case study

Series of “Basics” publications



- Next possible “Basics” publication on market surveillance, standardization, international regulatory cooperation... ?
- This proposed series will help to clarify the areas of work covered by WP.6
- And eventually propose linkages to other cross-cutting themes like circular economy or digital, green transformations