

Advancing Digital Services Trade in Asia and the Pacific

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Another year into the COVID-19 pandemic, the Asian Economic Integration Report 2022 describes an Asia and Pacific region that has more experience in tackling pandemic hardships, better data showing positive integration trends, and greater confidence in cooperation to address shared concerns. The report also features a theme chapter "Advancing Digital Services Trade in Asia and the Pacific", which discusses various ways for Asian economies to capitalize on the rapid digitalization and growing digital services trade through structural reforms and international cooperation. This webinar will present the main results of the report and bring together leading experts to focus on how policy measures in the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and Asia and Pacific economies steer digital services trade. The webinar will also discuss the role of regional cooperation and structural reforms to help the economies unlock this potential.

AGENDA

(Paris time)

- 9:30 a.m. Speakers connect via Zoom
- 10:00 10:10 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

Annabelle Mourougane, Head of Division, Trade and Productivity Statistics, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

Cyn-Young Park, Director, Regional Cooperation and Integration Division, Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department (ERCD), ADB

10:10 – 10:25 a.m. Presentation

> Pramila Crivelli, Economist, Regional Cooperation and Integration Division, ERCD, ADB

Rolando Avendano, Economist, Regional Cooperation and Integration Division, ERCD, ADB

10:25 – 10:50 a.m. Panel Discussion

> Moderator: Antonella Liberatore, Head of the Trade Statistics Section, Statistics and Data Directorate, OECD

- Janos Ferencz, Trade Policy Analyst, Trade and Agriculture Directorate, OECD
- Jong Woo Kang, Principal Economist, Regional Cooperation and Integration Division, ERCD, ADB

10:50 – 11:00 a.m. Q&A