

# Free Trade Agreement (FTA)

## Certificate Programme

31st intake: 21st & 22nd Sept 2017

“The course provided a very comprehensive overview of the different FTAs without compromising on the in-depth knowledge gained. I will recommend this workshop to others for sure!”

*Diana Pang*

*Business Development Director, Sunny Metal & Engineering Pte Ltd*

“FTAs are more than just reduced tariffs for goods. Others should attend this programme to learn more about investments, services and intellectual property protection. All these serve as a guide for business decisions!”

*Lim Yew Leng*

*Logistics Operations Manager, Eastman Chemical Asia Pacific Pte Ltd*

**Seminar on Introduction and Fundamentals of Free Trade Agreement.**

**Interactive workshop format with hands-on guided group projects and discussions**

### INTRODUCTION: OVERVIEW OF FTAS

- What and Why of FTA
- Global FTA developments and Singapore's FTA Network
- Beneficiaries of FTAs
- Typical FTA Framework

### TRADE IN GOODS CHAPTER

- Difference between Most Favoured Nation (MFN) and Preferential Tariffs; Internal Duties and Import Taxes
- Relationship between FTA and WTO
- GATT Article XXIV
- Non-Agricultural Market Access (NAMA)
- Coverage of Trade in Goods Chapter
- Non-Tariff Measures, Trade Remedies, Technical Barriers to Trade
- Trade in Goods Case Studies

### RULES OF ORIGIN

- Harmonized System (HS) Code System
- Rules of Origin Principle and Common Product ROO Criteria
- Minimal Processing, Transportation and Advance Ruling
- Rules of Origin Case Studies

### COST STATEMENT

- Manufacturer's registration
- Accessing manufacturing cost statements
- Definition of terms used in manufacturing cost statements
- Filling in and submission of cost statements case studies
- Application for preferential certificate of origin
- Renewal of manufacturing statement and cost statement

### MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENTS (GOODS)

- Purpose and Product Coverage of MRA in Different FTAs
- Implementation of Commitments & Dispute Settlement Procedure
- Mutual Recognition Agreements Case Studies

### TRADE IN SERVICES CHAPTER

- General Agreement on Trade in Services
- Definition of services: Modes of supply; Sector specific and blanket exceptions
- Coverage: Market access and national treatment principles
- Positive List & Negative List
- How to benefit from services chapter
- Central Product Classification (CPC) Code System
- An overview of services coverage in major FTAs
- Services & Investment Chapters Case Studies

### INVESTMENT CHAPTER

- Interpretation and Coverage of Investment Instruments & Assets
- Transfers of Funds & Capital
- Performance Requirements
- Protection against Government Expropriation
- Dispute Settlement

### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROTECTION CHAPTER (IPOS)

- IP Chapters and its relation to International Intellectual Property Protection Conventions & Treaties
- The fundamentals of an IP Chapter and comparison of IP Chapters with Key territories (e.g. US, Europe) including basic information on each IP regime.
- Intellectual Property Case Studies

### MUTUAL RECOGNITION AGREEMENTS (SERVICES)

- Purpose and Qualifications Coverage
- Implementation of Commitments
- Dispute Settlement
- Mutual Recognition Agreements Case Studies

### MOVEMENT OF NATURAL PERSONS CHAPTER

- Interpretation and Nationality Restrictions
- Personnel Coverage (Short-Term Business Visitors, Intra-Corporate Transferees, Investors, Professionals)
- Comparisons of Travel Stay Periods under Different FTAs
- Application Process by Companies

### GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT CHAPTER

- FTAs with Government Procurement Chapters
- Commitments by FTA Partner Governments and Procurement Thresholds
- Leveraging on Government Procurement Chapter
- Dispute Settlement

### FTA Features

### FTA Group Projects

- ASEAN (AFTA)
- ASEAN-China (ACFTA)
- ASEAN-Japan (AJCEP)
- ASEAN-Korea (AKFTA)
- ASEAN-India (AIFTA)
- ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand (AANZFTA)

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- China (CSFTA)
- Jordan (SJFTA)
- India (CECA)
- Japan (JSEPA)
- Korea (KSFTA)
- New Zealand (ANZSCEP)
- Panama (PSFTA)

- Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Iceland (ESFTA)
- Brunei, New Zealand, Chile (Trans-Pacific SEP)
- United States (USSFTA)
- Peru (PeSFTA)
- Costa Rica (SCRFTA)
- GCC (GSFTA)
- Chinese Taipei (ASTEP)



# Registration Form

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Developed and certified by IE Singapore and supported by the Ministry of Trade and Industry, Singapore Customs and Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS).

31st intake: 21st & 22nd Sep 2017

Time: 9.00am to 5.30pm

Venue: tba

Reg closing date: 8th Sep 2017

FTA Exam: 6th Oct 2017

### COMPANY / PERSONAL DETAILS

	Name of Attendee (to be shown on certificate)	Designation	Contact No.	Email Address	FTA Exam	Amount (\$)
1.					<input type="checkbox"/>	
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### BOOKING CONTACT

Total Amount (\$):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tel (O): \_\_\_\_\_ (HP) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**5% Group Discount!**  
on Workshop Fees  
(At least 3 Registrations)

### METHOD OF PAYMENT

- Invoice Required  
Invoice to: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sent to (Address): \_\_\_\_\_

#### Mode of Payment

- Cheque Please cross your cheque and send it to:  
FP Consultants International Pte Ltd  
10 Anson Road #12-14  
International Plaza  
Singapore 079903

- Direct Payment  
Account Name: FP Consultants International Pte Ltd  
Bank Name: OCBC Bank  
Bank Branch: OCBC Ubi Branch  
Bank Address: 65 Chulia Street, OCBC Centre,  
Singapore 049513  
SGD Account #: 588-051-250-001

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\*Note: Please include an additional 8% charges in the total amount if you choose to pay using credit card.

- I authorize FP Consultants International Pte Ltd to charge to my credit card for the above payment.

### PROGRAMME FEES

#### Workshop fees:

S\$1,262.60 per person

#### FTA Exam (optional):

S\$160.50 per person for first attempt

S\$107 per person for exam retake

(Fees inclusive of 7% GST)

- 1. Certificate of Attendance** will be issued to participants.
- 2. FTA Competency Certificate** will be issued to candidate who passes the optional FTA exam. On passing the FTA exam, candidate successfully demonstrated that he / she understands the application of the FTA concepts and tools and is able to resolve practical problems.
- 3. FTA Exam:** S\$150 per attempt. This is an optional one-hour pen and paper exam, conducted on a separate day. Further details of the examination (ie date, time and venue) will be announced in our website.
- 4. Reviewing exam script:** a fee of S\$40 is applicable for each review of examination script.

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verifiable hours will be awarded for full programme

### TERMS & CONDITIONS

I have read and understood the terms and conditions below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- The organiser reserves the right to cancel or make any adjustments to the event.
- Enrolment is on first-come-first-served basis.
- 40% of the course fees will be levied upon cancellation of the registration or deferring or transferring the registration to later intake. Upon confirmation, full course fee is payable for cancellation, transferring or deferring to later intake.
- Substitute delegate is welcome at no extra cost with at least 3 days notice prior to event, otherwise certificate of attendance to be collected at our office.
- Acknowledgement of enrolment will be sent via e-mail to each enrollee on receipt of each enrolment.
- Payments are required with registration and must be received prior to the training programme to guarantee your place.
- Walk-in participants will only be admitted on the basis of space availability at the training programme and with immediate full payment. Please note that handouts may not be available during the seminar for walk-in participants.
- You will still be liable for the payment in the event of no-show on actual day of the event.

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