

ASEAN Update Webinar Series (RCEP)

② RCEP Chapter 2: Trade in Goods

The ASEAN Japan Center will be holding a series of RCEP webinars that will cover all chapters, provide holistic and up-to-date explanations and explore practical applications as well as the impact of each chapter on ASEAN-Japan businesses, particularly on trade and investment. The seminar also plans to provide comparative analysis of RCEP with other economic partnership agreements (EPAs) such as the Comprehensive and Progressive Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (CTPP) and other bilateral EPAs. The first of this series held last July, covered RCEP's basic structure and the chapters on Competition and Dispute Settlement.

In this second seminar, Prof. Arata Kuno of Asia University will give a lecture on "RCEP Chapter 2: Trade in Goods". This chapter contains important elements that govern the implementation of commitments related to goods in order to achieve a high level of trade liberalization among parties. These include rules for determining the preferential tariffs of different contracting parties. In addition, the chapter also sets out provisions on non-tariff measures that complement the consequences of tariff liberalization including general abolition of quantity restrictions, improvement of transparency on the application of non-tariff measures, administration of import license procedures, and application of import and export fees and procedures.

This webinar aims to help ASEAN and Japanese companies in deepening their understanding of RCEP and enable them to effectively use RCEP in their future investment and business undertakings.

Date	Wednesday, 29 September 2021		
Time	3.00pm – 4:30pm Tokyo time		
Venue	Online (English to Japanese simultaneous interpretation)		
Program	 3:00pm Lecture Prof. Arata Kuno (Asia University) "RCEP Chapter 2: Trade in Goods" 4:00pm : Q&A (Please register questions in advance) 4:30pm : Closure 		
Organiser	ASEAN-Japan Centre		
Capacity	200 people	Suitable for	Those interested in contents and impacts of RCEP
Language	English (Japanese simultaneous interpretation available)	Fees	Free
Registration	Please register to participate from the link below: https://data.asean.or.jp/form/seminar/app_seminar.aspx?id=45269423 [Please click on English on the top right corner of the website]		
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