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Cost-Benefit Analysis of Armenia's Membership in International Metrology Organizations



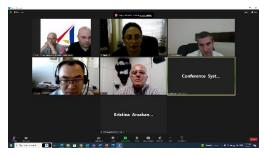
Yerevan, 15 August 2023 – Within the framework of the project "Support to Quality Infrastructure in Armenia", the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) organized a hybrid workshop on cost-benefit analysis of Armenia's membership in the international metrology organizations, namely BIPM (International Bureau of Weights and Measures) and OIML (International Organization of Legal Metrology).



The workshop, which was attended by representatives from European Union Delegation, decision makers from the Armenian Government, namely Deputy Prime Minister's office, Ministry of Economy, National Body for Standards and Metrology, Market Surveillance State Inspectorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, further informed on the mediumand long-term costs implied from membership in BIPM and OIML, compared to gained benefits, both in qualitative and quantitative terms.

Mrs. Zhanna Zakaryan, Head of Quality Infrastructure Development Department of the Ministry of Economy, and Mr. Frank Hess, Head of Operations in EUD to Armenia made opening remarks highlighting on the importance of Armenia's integration in metrology international community.

Metrology Regulation Development in Armenia



Yerevan, 22 August 2023 – UNIDO held a meeting with Ministry of Economy, NBSM¹ and the Market Surveillance State Inspectorate on findings and recommendations related to metrology regulations in Armenia.

Through presenting the gaps in the metrology regulation system in Armenia compared to the international recommendations and the EU system, the Armenian Government was supported to identify three priority regulations to develop - prepackaged products, non-automatic weighing instruments and measuring instruments.

Based on the identification, UNIDO will further provide support to the Government in metrology regulation development and enforcement.

¹ NBSM stands for the National Body for Standards and Metrology

International Training on Metrology Regulation for Prepackaged Products (PPP)



Bad Reichenhall, 2 July 2023 — In collaboration with OIML, UNIDO supported one NBSM officer to participate in a training on prepackaged products held in Germany. The training was to provide theoretical and practical knowledge on labeling and quantity control in PPP based on international requirements. Through training, the NBSM officer learnt about the regulatory objectives, the key elements and the requirements related to PPP regulation which is now absent in Armenia's legal metrology system.

The project "Support to Quality Infrastructure in Armenia", which is funded by the European Union (EU) and implemented by UNIDO, aims to support the National Body for Standards and Metrology (NBSM) to provide sustainable and internationally recognized metrology services to stakeholders within Armenia.

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