

# RCEP

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The Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) agreement signed on 15 November 2020 deepens ASEAN's engagement with Australia, China, Japan, Korea, and New Zealand, and is the world's largest FTA to date, comprising about 30% of global Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

Join us at our event to prep your business ahead of RCEP's entry into force and learn about the RCEP coverage of areas that were not previously covered in the ASEAN Plus One FTAs such as specific provisions covering trade in goods, including rules of origin, customs procedures and trade facilitation, as well as chapters on electronic commerce, etc.

-  **3 June 2021, Thursday, SGT**  
**4 June 2021, Friday, SGT**
-  **Webinar 1: 9:30am - 11:10am**  
**Webinar 2: 9:30am - 11:15am**
-  **Webinar**  
*Participants will receive Zoom details upon registration*
-  **Complimentary**
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## Programme (Webinar 1)

Time	Agenda	Speakers
	<b>Start of Webinar</b>	
09:30 am	<b>Overview of RCEP and its General Benefits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strategic enhancement with Singapore as a hub.</li> <li>What does RCEP mean for Singapore - geopolitically and economically.</li> </ul>	MTI
09:45 am	<b>RCEP - Trade in Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On average, at least 65% of services sectors will be fully open with increased foreign shareholding limits including in Professional Services, Telecommunications, Distribution and Logistics Services.</li> <li>Learn how to read i) the negative list; and ii) the market access schedules.</li> </ul> <p>This session will highlight provisions that benefit Singapore's services sectors in the respective RCEP markets.</p>	MTI
10:05 am	<b>RCEP - Investment Opportunities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brief overview of new Investment commitments in RCEP (compared to existing ASEAN-Plus Agreements, and Bilateral Investment Treaties).</li> </ul>	Enterprise Singapore
10:25 am	<b>RCEP - Intellectual Property</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brief overview of RCEP IP Chapter and how it compares with existing Agreements. The session will also highlight the intangible assets RCEP covers and how the RCEP enforcement provisions protect these assets.</li> </ul>	Wong Partnership
10:45 am	<b>RCEP-E-Commerce</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduction of provisions that encourage Parties to improve trade administration and process using electronic means</li> </ul>	TBC
11:05 am	Q&A + End of Webinar	

## Programme (Webinar 2)

Time	Agenda	Speakers
	<b>Start of Webinar</b>	
09:30 am	<b>RCEP - Trade in Goods</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of key benefits for goods traded (about 92% of line-items) amongst RCEP Parties and comparison of RCEP market access against existing ASEAN+1 Agreements</li> </ul>	MTI
09:50 am	<b>RCEP - Rules of Origin (ROO)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of RCEP's streamlined rules for greater flexibility to tap on preferential market access benefits (compared with existing ASEAN-Plus Agreements) and the regional cumulation provision for regional supply chains.</li> </ul>	MTI, supported by Singapore Customs
10:20 am	<b>RCEP - Customs Procedures &amp; Trade Facilitation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of new Customs Provisions in RCEP (compared to existing ASEAN-Plus Agreements); how it would facilitate trade amongst the RCEP Parties; and how this regime enhances certainty and predictability of cross-border trade transactions.</li> </ul>	Singapore Customs
10:40 am	<b>RCEP - Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of new TBT provisions in RCEP (compared to existing ASEAN-Plus Agreements and ACCSQ) and how it would facilitate business overcoming non-tariff measures.</li> <li>Overview of Standards &amp; Conformance (S&amp;C) and how the TBT Chapter facilitates trade in goods that are subject to domestic standards amongst RCEP parties (e.g., harmonised standards, MRAs, Accreditation).</li> </ul>	Enterprise Singapore
11:00 am	<b>RCEP - Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of the key provisions in the RCEP's SPS Chapters</li> <li>Relevance and benefits to Singapore businesses under the RCEP's SPS Chapters</li> </ul>	Singapore Food Agency
11:15 am	Q&A + End of Webinar	