

**Speech of the First Deputy Minister of Economic Development
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at the Fourth China Round Table**

*Dear Chairman,
Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,*

Before I proceed with my remarks, allow me on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan to kindly extend my appreciation for the hosts of the today's event, which we find to be vital for the improvement of integration into the international trading system.

With the aim to trade more and to be an important part of the world trading system, after twelve years of constructive negotiations Tajikistan became a member of the World Trade Organization. During the accession process, more than 100 laws and regulations have been either amended or replaced. The Republic of Tajikistan has fully harmonized its legislation with the WTO rules and principles.

Of course, becoming a WTO member is just one side of the coin, which I would call success.

However, in order to make the system really work we also have to

deepen Tajikistan's integration into the world trading system and accelerate the reforms in relevant sectors.

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

In June this year, Tajikistan had an honor to be the host for the Dushanbe Third China Round Table on WTO accessions. The Round