

# Transition from using Email to disseminate SPS and TBT Notifications to Adoption and Implementation of ePing Notification Alert System in Uganda

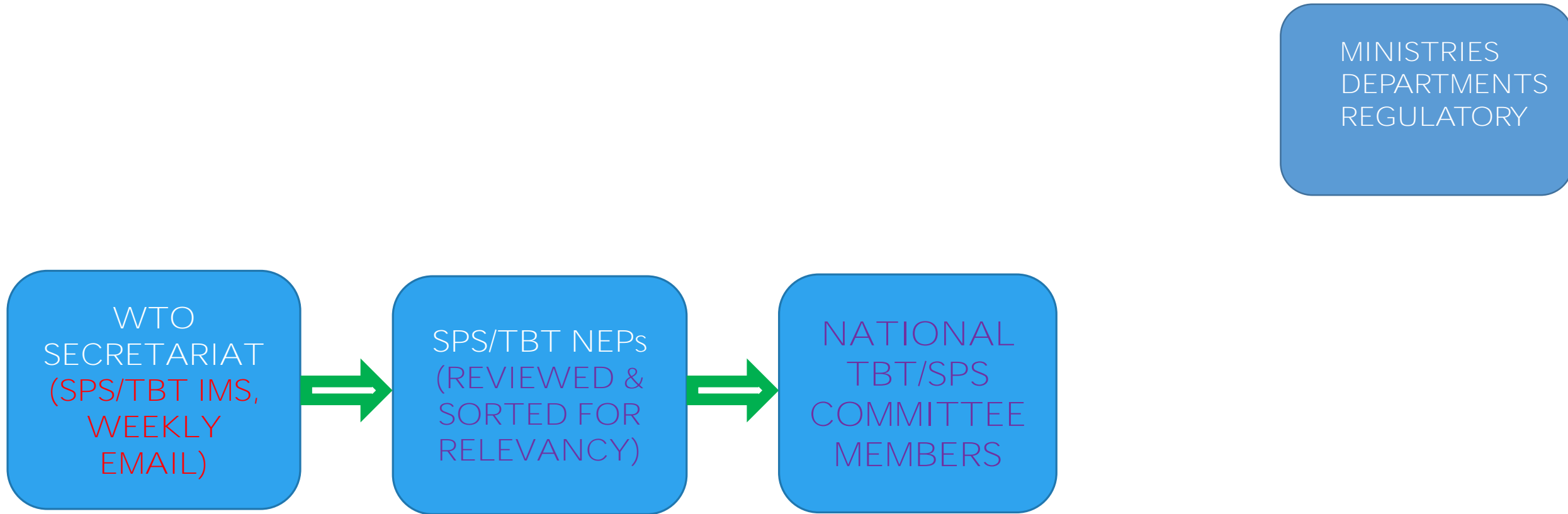
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# Background

United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (**UN DESA**) in collaboration with **Uganda Govt. (Ministry of Trade, Industry and Cooperatives)**

Conducted a survey to establish **level** of **utilization** of **Trade-related International**

# Notifications Dissemination Mechanism Prior to Adoption and Implementation of ePing



# Adoption and Implementation of ePing in Uganda Ì Pilot phase, July 2015 Ì January 2016

MTIC/UN DESA Kampala Joint workshop, July 2015:  
ePing was introduced to stakeholders (public/private);  
Stakeholders reviewed the functionalities of ePing  
Proposed new functionalities e.g. Discussion forum,

# Adoption and Implementation of ePing in Uganda I

## Training, Promotion and Registration of Users

Training on SPS & TBT Agreements & Transparency Procedures

Build capacity

# Implementation of ePing in Uganda – Training and Registration of Private Sector Stakeholders

EPs collaborated with **Private Sector Associations** to **Promote, Train & Register** stakeholders

**Board approach**: adopted to **mitigate funding challenges**

**Sectoral approach** - used to promote, train & register users:

Manufacturing

Organic

Fisheries

Flowers/fruits & vegetables

# Implementation of ePing in Uganda – Training and Registration of Public Sector Stakeholders

Central government: officials of Ministries, Departments & Regulatory Authorities

District Local Governments - In-country Regional Approach adopted

4 Regional Trainings:

Eastern region (March 16);

Northern region (May 16);

Western region (June 16);

Central region (June 16).



Marketing, Commercial,  
Veterinary and Production  
Officials;  
District level Enterprises &  
Private sector associations  
and Institutions.

# Take Home Points

Use National SPS/TBT Committees to obtain feedback from Stakeholders on ePing;

Regular promotion, training and registration of new users: Staff turn-over, new enterprises, etc.;

Special attention be given to promote ePing to MSMEs: bigger change in obtaining SPS & TBT import requirements;

Take advantage of National, Regional & International SPS/TBT trainings/workshops/seminars/side events to promote and register new users.



