



**Dialogue on Regional Mobility of  
Professionals in CEFTA**

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## Montenegro and WTO

- Montenegro is member of the WTO since of 29 April 2012
- The Schedule of Specific Commitments on Services - document WT/ACC/SPEC/CGR/38/Add.2
- Montenegro has undertaken commitments in 11 sectors - 136 subsectors
  - *Horizontal commitments* (Public Utilities, Legal Entities-Limitations on branches, agencies and representative offices, Subsidies, Real Estate, Temporary Entry and Stay of Natural Persons)
  - *Sector specific commitments* (commitments in 11 out of 12 services sectors)
- *List of Article II MFN Exemptions*

# Professional services in WTO

II. SECTOR SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS			
1. BUSINESS SERVICES			
A. Professional Services			
(a) Legal services - Consultancy on foreign, international law and domestic law (part of CPC 861)	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.
(b) Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services (CPC 862)	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.
(d) Architectural services (CPC 8671)	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.
(e) Engineering services (CPC 8672)	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.
(f) Integrated engineering services (CPC 8673)	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.
(g) Urban planning and landscape architectural services (CPC 8674)	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.	(1) None. (2) None. (3) None. (4) Unbound, except as indicated in the horizontal section.

# Temporary Entry and Stay of Natural Persons

- Unbound except for measures concerning the entry into and temporary stay in Montenegro of the following categories of natural persons providing services:
  - **Intra-corporate transfers (ICT)**
  - **Business Visitors (BV)**
  - **Contractual Service Suppliers (CSS)**

## **Intra-corporate transfers (ICT)**

Entry and stay for a maximum of 3 years will be granted to persons transferred within a corporation and its subsidiaries and branches who:

- Have been employed by a juridical person established in another WTO Member for at least one year immediately preceding the date of admission;
- Are temporarily transferred in the context of the provision of a service in Montenegro to a subsidiary or branch that is providing services in Montenegro; and
- Are Managers, Executives or Specialists.

## **Business Visitors (BV)**

Entry and temporary stay of the following categories is permitted without application of an economic needs test for a period of up to 90 days in any twelve months:

- (a) Service sellers and
- (b) Persons responsible for setting up a commercial presence.

# Contractual Service Suppliers (CSS)

Access will be granted to natural persons engaged in the supply of a service on a temporary basis as employees of a legal person with no commercial presence in Montenegro, subject to the conditions.

The service contract has to be obtained in one of the activities mentioned below:

- Legal services;
- Accounting and bookkeeping services;
- Architectural services, urban planning and landscape architectural services;
- Engineering services, integrated engineering services;
- Computer and related services;
- Advertising;
- Management consulting services;
- Services related to management consulting;
- Technical testing and analysis services;
- Related scientific and technical consulting services;
- Translation services;
- Environmental services; and
- Installations and maintenance of machinery or equipment.

# Labour agreements

## Social Security Agreements

- 25 bilateral agreements
- 17 with EU member states (Austria, Belgium, Germany, Holland, Poland ...)
- Agreements relate to the following areas: unemployment insurance, pension and invalidity insurance, benefits, health protection etc.
- Lack of agreements in the field of employment (e.g. for seasonal workers or similar) relates to the nature of Montenegrin economy and characteristics of labour market (seasonal attributes); wide scope of issuance of work permits for foreigners.
- **Annual quota system for employment of foreigners.** *Decision on determining the number of work permits for foreigners for 2014* (19.500 work permits, including 3000 for the implementation of development projects of the Government of Montenegro).





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