Invitation to tender / report on detailed information and analysis of the impact of Japanese companies operating in the EU due to the challenges to be overcome in legislating Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) Application Guideline

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The Japan Machinery Center for Trade and Investment (JMC) is launching a call for applications around a new "CBAM" research project.

1. Objectives

The purpose of the research is:

- To provide the JMC with detailed information and analysis around the EU's CBAM legislation with WTO consistency and methodologies of calculating the CO2 emissions of importing goods.
- Analysis on the EU-ETS reform which the EU considering
- The objective of funds come from the CBAM revenues
- Impact of CBAM on Japanese companies operating in the EU and exporting to the EU.
- Deliverables include a full report with an abstract entailing all the research and analysis findings
- 2. Topics
 - A. An overview of 4 options which the EU had unveiled as possible examples for the CBAM legislation.
 - B. A prospect for the CBAM legislation with the WTO consistency
 - The analysis shall include the factors below
 - The methodology to calculate the CO2 emissions of importing goods
 - How could the EU assess whether the trading partners' regulations over CO2 emission are "equivalent with EU ETS"?

- The exemption rule in county level/company level
- The possibility to remain the system of the free allocation in EU ETS in the manner that doesn't breach the WTO rule
- The objective of funds come from the CBAM revenues
- Sectorial Approach
- Others
- C. Advices for exporters
 - What should the exporters (especially steel and cement industries which are within the scope of EU ETS) to EU countries do to prepare for the initiation of CBAM.
- 3. Selection criteria

The candidate:

- has to demonstrate advanced knowledge and expertise in project's research area

The application form must:

- cover the subject of the project
- include a detailed planning and the estimated costs
- Language: English
- 4. Conditions
 - Budget: €11,000 (VAT included)
 - Period: from 8 February to 23 March 2021 with a meeting (vide meeting is available)
 - The outline of the report should be submitted by the end of February.
 - The abstract should be submitted by March 1 and the report should be submitted by March 22.
 - Output: reports in electronic format (each report should include abstract)
 - Language: English
- 5. Eligibility

The candidate must:

- have advanced knowledge and expertise in the field of the project
- demonstrate capability to work with precise organisation and control of the project
- have business-based and management abilities
- have its headquarter or a branch in Brussels
- accept the conditions of the JMC
- 6. Application period

From January 27 to 5 February 2021

7. How to apply

Submit the application, project proposal and attached form. Applications must be sent (by e-mail or post) before the deadline. Please download the application documents (application and project proposal). (Download the documents in MS word format by clicking <u>here</u> and in PDF format by clicking <u>here</u>)

All information received will be treated confidentially and the application documents will not be returned to the applicant. The costs borne for submitting the documents will not be reimbursed by the JMC.

8. Result

All applicants will be informed of the results after the end of the selection procedure.

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