



Regional: Facilitating Trade for Fragile and Landlocked States in the post-Bali Institutional Environment

Project Name	Facilitating Trade for Fragile and Landlocked States in the post-Bali Institutional Environment								
Project Number	48204-001								
Country	Regional								
Project Status	Active								
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance								
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">TA 8655-REG: Facilitating Trade for Fragile and Landlocked States in the post-Bali Institutional Environment</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 225,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">TA: Facilitating Trade for Fragile and Landlocked States in the post-Bali Institutional Environment</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Government of Australia</td> <td>US\$ 300,000.00</td> </tr> </table>	TA 8655-REG: Facilitating Trade for Fragile and Landlocked States in the post-Bali Institutional Environment		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 225,000.00	TA: Facilitating Trade for Fragile and Landlocked States in the post-Bali Institutional Environment		Government of Australia	US\$ 300,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth Regional integration								
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships Private sector development								
Sector / Subsector	Industry and trade - Industry and trade sector development								
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	No gender elements								
Description	The proposed Small Scale Technical Assistance supports ADB's efforts to more effectively engage marginalized developing member countries with the international trading system. It will contribute to this goal by producing a multi-country study clarifying how countries can take advantage of the opportunities they will face over the next five years as a result of changes in the institutional structure of trade such as the upcoming Free Trade Agreements (FTAs), and the implementation of the agreements reached during the World Trade Organization's (WTO's) Bali Ministerial.								
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The proposed SSTA supports ADB's efforts to more effectively engage marginalized developing member countries with the international trading system. This SSTA will explore how both FCAS and LLDCs can take advantage of their participation in regional and global trade agreements such as FTAs and the WTO. Country coverage will likely include: Timor Leste, Tuvalu, Mongolia, Afghanistan, and Kazakhstan. Case studies will evaluate both the opportunities presented by their existing trade commitments and also suggest future platforms that will enable countries to have more informed and balanced negotiations. This will focus in particular on opportunities and challenges that countries will face over the next 5 years as a result of the changes in the institutional structure of trade.								
Impact	The process of trade negotiations for FCAS and LLDCs has improved								

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Policymakers in the FCAS and LLDCs have improved understanding of relevant trade opportunities and bottlenecks
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Progress Toward Outcome	
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Implementation Progress

Description of Project Outputs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Papers completed and key findings presented in key meetings 2. Policy dialogue conducted between government and private sector
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Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)

Geographical Location

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design OREI is consulting and coordinating closely with the regional departments to seek their inputs and feedback on the proposed technical assistance.

During Project Implementation OREI will continue to closely coordinate with the regional departments and identified partner institutions regarding the conduct of the studies.

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services Consultants with expertise on trade and development, either international or national, will be engaged for a total of twelve person-months to draft the papers. A national consultant will be engaged to assist with the coordination of TA activities. The TA will require a total of 18 person-months of consulting services. Advance contracting may be considered.

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	14 May 2014
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	21 May 2014

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
14 May 2014	-	14 May 2014	31 May 2015	31 Dec 2017	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
225,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	225,000.00	14 May 2014	300,751.99

Request for Information

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