



# Support to Trade Policy & Regulation in CA UNDP AfT3 project

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# **UNDP AfT project history**

- I. Phase 2009 2011: 9 countries & 1 regional
   AfT need assessment studies
- II. Phase 2011 2013: 9 countries
- III. Phase 2014 2017: 3 CA countries & regional

## **Overview - Phase III**

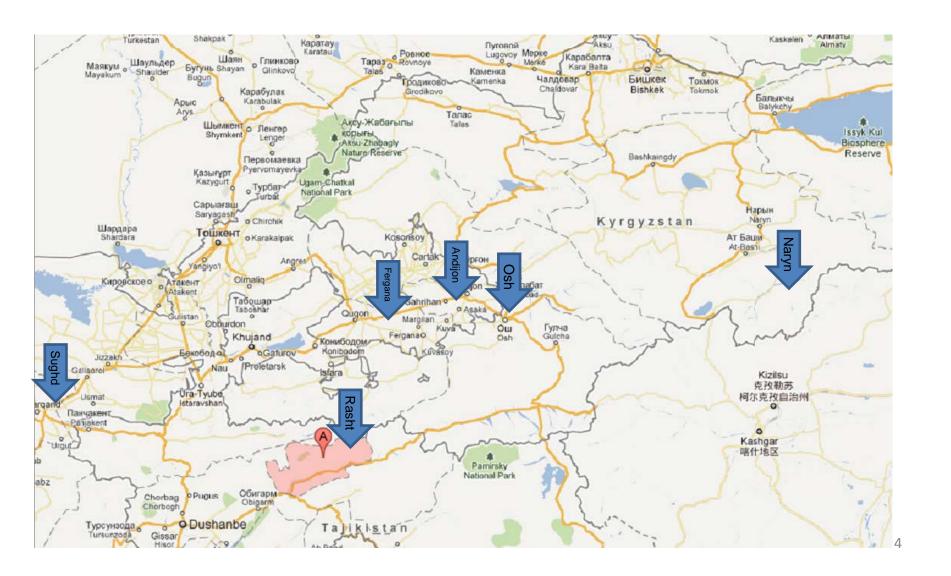
#### Applying an **3-level integrated** & **regional** approach

- I. Assistance to implementing trade agreements
- II. Support to trade promotion agencies
- III. Strengthening productive base

WTO definition / OECD-DAC classification		AfT 3 project structure			
1.	Trade Policy & Regulation (incl. Trade Facilitation)	Trade Policy Advice (Component I) - multilateral & regional trade agreements, national trade policy (excl. Trade Facilitation)			
2.	Trade Promotion	Trade Promotion (Component II) - formulate & implement trade development strategy, CD to trade & business institutions			
3.	Economic Infrastructure	-			
4.	Building Productive Capactiy	Improving Capacties (Component III) - Agricultural development, industry, extension, research			
5.	Trade-related Adjustment	-			

## **Intervention Area**

#### Kyrgystan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan



# **AfT phase III**

## Overall AfT goals:

- Increase tax and export revenues
- 2. Promote investments to <u>reduce inequality</u> and aid dependency
- 3. Increase cross-border <u>trade</u>, contributing to <u>regional</u> <u>cooperation</u>, integration and stability

## AfT intervention areas:

- 1. Trade policy: increase market access; flexible rules for trade agreements; assistance to RTAs; legal BEE
- 2. Trade Development: ...
- 3. Strengthening Productive Base: ...

## Phase III – components

## **Component I – Trade Policy**

- Support trade policy makers in designing and implementing trade policies to promote human development:
- Making best use of regional and global trade agreements

#### **Component II - Trade Development**

Formulate trade development policy coherent with development agenda ...

... trade support organizations

#### Component III – Improved Productivity

Boost competitiveness of ... SMEs ...

## Phase III - Regional

- Goal: Support trade policy makers in designing and implementing trade policies to promote human development: making best use of regional and global trade agreements
- Means: capacity development through
  - seminars on implications of WTO accession
  - cost-benefit <u>analyses of CU</u> accession
  - <u>trade policy papers</u> on implementation of WTO, CU, FTA regulations
  - drafting trade studies and integrating their results into trade policies
  - <u>sharing experiences</u> on WTO and CU accession issues on regional level.
  - participating at regional <u>trade initiatives</u> (CAREC, BOMCA, SPECA, RECCA)

## Phase III – Uzbekistan

- Goal: Support trade policy makers in designing and implementing trade policies to promote human development: making best use of regional and global trade agreements
- Means: capacity development through
  - <u>cross-border trade</u> in <u>Fergana valley</u>: studies on opportunities and challenges, and baseline on administrative capacities
  - WTO, FTA, and CU regulations recommendations on opportunities and challenges
  - increasing regional trade research on measures for improvements

## Phase III – Kyrgystan

- Goal: Support trade policy makers in designing and implementing trade policies to promote human development: making best use of regional and global trade agreements
- Means: capacity development through
  - NES Strategy 2013-2017 implementation and action plan
  - trade policy papers on FTAs, WTO, and CU accession
  - WTO post-accession process, <u>CU</u> accession cost-benefit analyses
  - <u>CU</u> requirements on aligning legislation and regulations by MER and inter-ministerial committee
  - trade and PEI mainstreaming into national platforms

## Phase III – Tajikistan

- Goal: Support trade policy makers in designing and implementing trade policies to promote human development: making best use of regional and global trade agreements
- Means: capacity development through
  - Trade baseline study on national and Oblasts level
  - Expert Working Groups at national and at Oblasts level on trade policy documents and adjustments to National Trade Policy documents, international and national expertise
  - Expertise in formulating trade related policy documents
  - PPD platforms as input providers for trade policy documents
  - <u>Legal review</u> of trade documents and WTO requirements

# **Phase III – Budget**

Implementati on according to Offices	Tajikist an CO	Kyrgyz stan CO	RBEC Regional Centre (regional)	Uzbekist an CO (regional)	Total
Trade policy (macro)	8.0	0.5	1.7	0.2	3.2
Trade agencies (meso)	0.8	0.4	0.8	0.4	2.4
Producers (micro)	1.0	1.5	0.5	0.4	3.4
Sum (in million EUR)	2.6	2.4	3.0	1.0	9.0

## Thank you

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