

**THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND FOUNDATIONS
FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN THE OIC
INSTITUTIONS ACTIVE IN THE FIELD OF
ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL COOPERATION**

**THE SECOND CONSULTATIVE MEETING OF THE OIC
INSTITUTIONS ON ENHANCING INTRA-OIC TRADE**

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A. Principles and foundations:

- Consultation and coordination between OIC Institutions concerning common activities and the exchange of plans and programmes of action ;
- To inform other OIC Institutions on the activities deemed relevant for cooperation;
- Flexibility in the procedures and policies for the implementation of common programmes;
- To give priority to the expertise available in the OIC Institutions of the Organisation of the Islamic conference;

B. Planning, Organisation:

- To draw up a joint plan of action for medium term cooperation, that is susceptible to be revised or amended;
- To lay stress on the strategic sectors and products with high intra-OIC trade potential, by adopting a scientific methodology in the choice of programmes;
- To adopt annual integrated programmes (sector based) encompassing several fields including market studies, sector based fairs, buyers/sellers meetings and trade facilitation measures.
- To strive to choose activities that would meet as far as possible the needs of the private sector in Member States;
- To give priority to the participation of the economic operators and the private sector in joint actions.

C. The Instruments for the Selection, Implementation and Follow up of Joint Activities:

- OIC Institutions shall agree annually on the schedule of joint actions to be implemented;
- The Secretariat of the “Executive Programme of the Road-MAP for Achieving intra-OIC Trade Targets” is assumed by the ICDT; the Coordinators of each field are as follows :

- Trade Financing: ITFC
 - Trade promotion: ICDT
 - Trade facilitation : ICDT and ICCI
 - Development of Strategic Commodities : ITFC
 - Capacity Building: SESRIC in collaboration with ICDT and ITFC.
 - Trade Negotiations: COMCEC Coordination Office and ICDT.
- Holding of two annual coordination meetings:
 - ✓ The first one shall be held in Jeddah on the sidelines of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Social and Cultural Affairs; with the possibility of involving Concerned Member States and the relevant Financial institutions in this meeting;
 - ✓ The second one shall be held in Casablanca, at least a month before the holding the Ministerial Session of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation.
 - Evaluation of common activities and programmes and preparation of follow up reports with a view to improving them and enhancing their efficiency so as to achieve fixed targets.

D. Financing:

- To provide a special budget for the financing of common projects and to adopt budget estimates to implement all the activities;
- The leading OIC Institution hosting the joint activity shall insert the logos of the OIC Partner Institutions in the promotional materials the letters, brochures, leaflets etc;
- In case of the cancellation or postponement of a joint action to the next financial year, it shall be replaced by another activity in consultation between concerned parties.