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Trade Development Subprogramme
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DOCUMENT FOR INFORMATION

The Bureau of the Committee is submitting this draft 2004 - 2007 programme of work to the Committee for approval. The draft programme is set out in three parts. The first part (document TRADE/2004/4) introduces the programme of work and the strategic directions for the two subprogrammes under the Committee's responsibility: namely Trade Development, and Industrial Restructuring and Enterprise Development. The second part can be found in document TRADE/2004/4/Add.1, Add.2 and Add.3, which describe, in detail, the specific activities to be undertaken. The third part consists of summary tables of these specific activities and can be found in these documents TRADE/2004/4/Add.5 (for the Trade Development Subprogramme) and document TRADE/2004/4/Add.5/Add.4 (for the Industrial Restructuring and Enterprise Development subprogramme).

This document is for information only because it summarizes, for ease of review, all of the activities described in detail in document TRADE/2004/4/Add.1 and Add.2. Detailed information for each of the activities listed in the following table/matrix can be found in that document.

Information on the work under the Committee can be found on its website: <http://www.unece.org/trade>.

Major Area	Sub Area	Specific Activity	Detailed Outputs	Expected Completion Date
1.1 STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE – Developing and maintaining effective international trade-related instruments, norms, standards and recommendations, in response to the needs of the global economy	<u>1.1.1 Development of Trade Facilitation Standards and Recommendations under UN/CEFACT</u>	1.1.1.1 Development of a Guide and formal Recommendation on Trade Facilitation Benchmarking		Guide: June 2004. Recommendation: May 2005.
		1.1.1.2 Implementation of Trade Facilitation Benchmarking		Ongoing, 2005-07
		1.1.1.3 Enhancement of Trade Facilitation and Security		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.1.1.4 Development of a Recommendation on the establishment of a Single Window		May 2004
		1.1.1.5 Implementation of Single Window		Ongoing, 2005-07
		1.1.1.6 Review and Updating of Existing UNECE Recommendations		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.1.1.7 Development of a “Guide to Trade Facilitation Implementation”		2005
		1.1.1.8 Legal Aspects of Trade Facilitation		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.1.1.9 Revision of Recommendation 12, Measures to Facilitate Maritime Transport Document Procedures		May 2004
	<u>1.1.2 Development and Maintenance of e-business Standards under UN/CEFACT</u>	1.1.2.1 Development of the Business Collaboration Framework (BCF)		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.1.2.2 Development and Subsequent Maintenance of ebXML		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.1.2.3 Development and alignment of Web Services		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.1.2.4 Maintenance of UN/EDIFACT		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.1.2.5 Maintenance and extension of UN/LOCODE (UN Codes for trade and transport locations)		Ongoing, 2004-07

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		1.1.2.6 Revision and Maintenance of Codes for Units of Measure used in International Trade		2004
		1.1.2.7 Maintenance of other code related UNECE Recommendations		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.1.2.8 Maintenance of UNTDED (ISO 7372)		2004
	<u>1.1.3 Development of agricultural quality standards</u>	1.1.3.1 Management and coordination of the technical work: Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards (WP.7)		Ongoing, 2004-07
			Review the recommendations made by its specialized sections and define the directions for their future work	2004-07
			Review the general texts, which form the framework of the standardization activities (Geneva Protocol, Working Procedures and Standard Layout) to adapt them to its present work structure	2004-07
			Monitor the implementation of standards and coordinate implementation activities (workshops, seminars, training courses) (see also 1.2.2)	2004-07
		1.1.3.2 Development and Maintenance of UNECE Standards for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables (GE.1)		Ongoing (see below for specific dates)
			Revise UNECE Standards for Kiwi fruit, Peaches and Nectarines, Table grapes, Early and Ware Potatoes, Apples, Citrus fruit, Plums	2004-05
			Develop new UNECE Standards for Shallots, Truffles and Ceps	2004-06

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			Develop objective criteria for inner quality/ maturity of fruit in the standards to achieve: Better quality for the consumer; Deletion of external quality criteria, which are difficult to reach by certain production methods (e.g. organic) or production regions and might be perceived as technical barriers to trade	2004-07
			Update the standard layout for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables and align all existing standards with the new text	2004-06
			Check the compatibility of the control certificate and the UNECE layout key for trade documents	2004
			Develop templates for inclusion of varieties in the standards for Pears, Plums and Table Grapes	2004-05
			Review the use of code marks, possibility for internationally harmonized marks	2004-05
			Codify the provisions of several UNECE Standards. To harmonize the main parameters used in international trade (commodity, variety and grade/class) for use in electronic business and electronic export certification	2004-06
			Cooperate with WHO on a strategy on diet, physical activity and health	2004-05
			Cooperate with the OECD Scheme on the development of explanatory material and internal quality	2004-07

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			Contribute to workshops, seminars, training courses and other activities concerning capacity building for the application of quality standards in accordance with needs of clients and available funds	2004-07
			Review the General conditions of sale for fresh fruit and vegetables	2004
		1.1.3.3 Development and Maintenance of UNECE Standards for Dry and Dried Produce (GE.2)		Ongoing (see below for specific dates)
			Finalise the revision of the standards for Almonds and Pistachios	2004
			Revise the standard for Dates	2004-06
			Develop new UNECE Standards for Blanched Almonds	2004-06
			Develop new UNECE Standards for Inshell Macademia Nuts and Macademia Kernels	2004-06
			Develop new UNECE Standards for Inshell Peanuts and Peanut Kernels	2004-06
			Develop new UNECE Standards for Inshell Pecans and Pecan Kernels	2005-07
			Develop new UNECE Standards for Dried Peaches	2004-06
			Develop new UNECE Standards for Dried Peppers	2005-07
			Develop new UNECE Standards for Dried Tomatoes	2005-07
			Cooperate with OECD in the elaboration of a sampling plan	2004-05
			Review of the UNECE General conditions of sale for dry (shelled and unshelled and dried fruit).	2004-05
			Review work on pulses	2004

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			Contribute to workshops, seminars, training courses and other activities concerning capacity building for the application of quality standards in accordance with needs of clients and available funds	2004-07
		1.1.3.4 Development and Maintenance of UNECE Standards for Meat		Ongoing (see below for specific dates)
			Develop new UNECE Standards for Veal, Turkey, Goat, and Llama	2004-07
			Publish paper and electronic versions of the UNECE Standards for Ovine meat, Bovine meat (beef) and Chicken meat	2004
			Revise the Standard for Porcine meat (pork) and publish the new version	2004-05
			Develop colour chips/ marketing cards with the goal of achieving a harmonized standard in the future	2004-05
			Work on a pilot study on implementation of the bovine standard; evaluation of possibilities to facilitate conformity assessment	2004-05
			Evaluate the possibility to include products with added ingredients and size reduction in the standards	2004-05
			Evaluate the possibility to create UNECE standards for fish	2004
			Contribute to workshops, seminars, training courses and other activities concerning capacity building for the application of quality standards in accordance with needs of clients and available funds	2004-07
			Maintenance work on existing standards	2004-07

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		1.1.3.5 Development and Maintenance of the UNECE Standard for Seed Potatoes		Ongoing, 2004-07 (see below for specific dates)
			Include destination tolerances in the standard	2004
			Consider inclusion of a global list of varieties	2004-05
			Refine the concept of variety in the standard	2004
			Further develop the graphic assessment key for percentage tuber surface area coverage of blemish diseases	2004
			Review the relationship between the UNECE, EPPO and NAPPO standards	2004-07
			Discuss sizing issues	2004
			Recommend best handling practices and quality assurance methods	2004-05
			Evaluate the impact of GMO's on the Standard	2004-07
			Discuss methods to avoid superficial necrosis caused by virus	2004-06
			Develop of the list of diseases and pests list and standard test methods	2004-07
			Develop a prototype training course for seed potato certification	2004-05
			Develop a UNECE label	2004-05
			Discuss grading equipment	2004-05
			Discuss methods to avoid tuber rots (destination tolerances, quality assurance)	2004-05
			Discuss dispute settlement procedures	2004-05
			Separate of quality and quarantine pests	2004-05
			Include test methods/ referencing methods	2004-05
			Discuss concerns of seed buyers	2004-07
			Define the complete control procedure for the certification of seed potatoes	2004-05

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		1.1.3.6 Development and Maintenance of the UNECE Standard for Eggs and Egg products		Ongoing, 2004-07 (see below for specific dates)
			Identify national experts	2004
			Define an agenda for the revision of the standards	2004
			Organize a workshop on the revision of the standards	2004-05
		1.1.3.7 Standardization of cut flowers <i>(Note: The secretariat will review current use of these standards.)</i>		2004-05
	<u>1.1.4 Development of recommendations under the Working Party on Technical Harmonization and Standardization Policies (WP.6)</u>	1.1.4.1 Development and Maintenance of Recommendations on Standardization and Regulatory Policies		2004-2006
		1.1.4.2 Drawing up of Proposals on Conformity Assessment and Metrology Matters		2004-07
1.2 IMPLEMENTATION/ CAPACITY BUILDING – Reducing barriers to trade in goods and services in all countries, and UNECE member States in particular, through greater implementation of international and UNECE norms, standards, instruments and recommendations, especially in trade facilitation	<u>1.2.1 Implementation/ Capacity Building in Trade Facilitation and e-business</u>	1.2.1.1 Capacity Building in Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business in the Mediterranean		2004
		1.2.1.2 UNeDocs		Ongoing

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		1.2.1.3 Capacity Building for Trade Facilitation Organizations (PRO Organizations) in Transition Economies		Study (June 2004), first Workshop (September 2004), additional capacity building activities (ongoing 2005-07)
		1.2.1.4 Tools for Trade		Ongoing, dependent on available resources, 2004-07
		1.2.1.5 Capacity Building to Improve Trade Finance and Investment Prospects for the Sustainable Development of the Russian Timber Sector		Ongoing 2004-07 (dependent upon available extrabudgetary funds)
		1.2.1.6 Participation in WTO Seminars and Workshops		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.2.1.7 Development of an Interregional Partnership for Promoting Trade as an Engine of Growth Through Knowledge Management and Taking Advantage of Information and Communication Technology		Project implementation 2004-05
		1.2.1.8 Support of Trade Facilitation Measures and UN/EDIFACT Implementation in Selected Eastern European Countries		2004-07
		1.2.1.9 Support for Trade and Transport Facilitation in the transition economies and sub-regional initiatives, such as SECI, the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, SPECA, and others		2004-07
		1.2.1.10 Capacity Development for Women in Trade		Project implementation 2004-07
	<u>1.2.2 Capacity Building for the implementation of Agricultural Quality Standards</u>	1.2.2.1 Workshop on International Harmonization of Commercial Quality Standards for Agricultural Produce		Different seminars in 2004-07 according to financing available
		1.2.2.2 Implementation of standardization policy		Different seminars in 2004-07 according to financing available.

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		1.2.2.3 Inspector training programme (train the trainers)		Different seminars in 2004-07 according to financing available.
		1.2.2.4 Managing the global food supply chain		Different seminars in 2004-07 according to financing available.
	<u>1.2.3 Implementation/ Capacity Building in Standardization and Quality</u>	1.2.3.1 Implementation/Capacity-Building in Standardization and Harmonization issues		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.2.3.2 Implementation of the UNECE Recommendation "International Model for Technical Harmonization"		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.2.3.3 Seminars/Fora on Regulatory issues, Quality and Environmental Management		2005-06
1.3 POLICY – Facilitating trade policy development through the provision of an open international platform for the exchange of views, particularly for the benefit of countries with economies in transition	<u>1.3.1 ICT/WSIS</u>	1.3.1.1 Contribution to the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) and Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) for development		WSIS, December 2005, and ongoing for ICT Task Force
	<u>1.3.2 Sustainable Development</u>	1.3.2.1 Contributions to Sustainable Development		Ongoing, 2004-07
	<u>1.3.3 Economic integration in a wider Europe</u>	1.3.3.1 EU Enlargement: Economic Integration in a Wider Europe		2004
		1.3.3.2 Regional economic integration		Ongoing, but subject to available resources
	<u>1.3.4 Trade Facilitation Policy</u>	1.3.4.1 Development of Trade Facilitation Policy and Undertaking Relevant Research		Ongoing, 2004-07
	<u>1.3.5 Standardization Policy</u>	1.3.5.1 Standardization Policy: Eliminating Technical Barriers to Trade		Ongoing

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1.4 PROMOTION – Promoting the value and effectiveness of trade facilitation instruments and standards in trade and economic development	<u>1.4.1 Fora</u>	1.4.1.1 International Fora on Trade Facilitation		2005 and 2007
		1.4.1.2 International Forum on, “Beyond Enlargement: Challenges for Trade and Enterprise Development in a Changing Europe”		May 2004
		1.4.1.3 Fora on Regulatory and Conformity Assessment Issues		May 2006
	<u>1.4.2 Multiplier Point Network</u>	1.4.2.1 Development and Maintenance of the Multiplier Point Network		Ongoing, 2004-07
	<u>1.4.3 Information Dissemination</u>	1.4.3.1 Promotional Material on Agricultural Quality Standards		2004, 2007
		1.4.3.2 Information Brochure on UNECE’s Trade-Related Work		One each in 2004 and 2006
		1.4.3.3 Maintenance and Further Development of UNECE Trade-Related Web sites		Ongoing, 2004-07
		1.4.3.4 Information Dissemination Programme		Ongoing, 2006-07
	<u>1.4.4 Promoting UN/CEFACT’s Work</u>	1.4.4.1 UN/CEFACT Promotion and Communications Group		Ongoing, 2004-07
	<u>1.4.5 Trade Promotion</u>	1.4.5.1 Development and Maintenance of the Trade Directory		Ongoing, 2004-07
1.5 INTEGRATION – Integrating UNECE’s trade activities with those of other UN and international trade-related bodies				
1.6 SUPPORT FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODIES AND WORKING GROUPS	<u>1.6.1 Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development (CTIED)</u>			

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	<u>1.6.2 United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UN/CEFACT)</u>			
	<u>1.6.3 Working Party on Technical Harmonization and Standardization Policies (WP.6)</u>			
	<u>1.6.4 Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards (WP.7)</u>			
1.7 PUBLICATIONS	<u>Non-Recurrent Publications</u>	Proceedings of annual CTIED Fora		1 issue each in 2004 and 2006
		Proceedings of International Trade Facilitation fora,		1 issue each in 2005 and 2007
		Guidelines on Standardization and Related Regulatory Policies		1 issue in 2006
		Single Window Trade Facilitation Recommendation		1 issue in 2004
		Guide on Trade Facilitation Benchmarking		1 issue in 2005
		Formal Recommendation on Trade Facilitation Benchmarking		1 issue in 2005
		Guide to Trade Facilitation Implementation		1 issue in 2005
		Revised Recommendation 12 on measures to facilitate maritime transport documents		1 issue in 2005
		Legal Aspects of Trade Facilitation		1 issue in 2005
		Compendium of Trade Facilitation Recommendations		Revised edition in 2005
		UNECE Experience using the World Bank Trade Facilitation Audit Methodology		1 issue in 2004
		Updated Trade Facilitation, UN/EDIFACT and e-business training material		2004

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		Guide on Market Surveillance in the UNECE Region		1 issue in 2004
		Reports on Sustainable Development issues in the Russian Forest Sector (XB)		1 issue each year
		Brochure on UNECE Trade Development, Products and Services		Two issues: one in 2004 and one in 2006
		Information brochure on the work of the Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development (CTIED)		Two issues: one in 2005 and one in 2007
		Trade Policy Briefings		1 issue each year from 2004-07
		Report on the Operation and Structure of Trade Facilitation Promotion Organizations (PRO organizations) in Transition Economies		2004
		Code lists and Web Services for trade data (Internet publications)		Different issues in each of the years from 2004 to 2007
		Book containing selected papers on trade facilitation in Russian		2004
		Publications on trade-related topics – substantive papers prepared for the International Fora organized by the Trade Development and Timber Division		1 each year from 2004 to 2007
		ECE Standardization List		2007
		Information brochure on UNECE Standardization and Regulatory Activities		2004
		UNECE Standard for Poultry Meat - Carcasses and Parts (paper and Internet)		1 issue in 2004, 1 in 2007
		Colour chart for dry and dried produce (paper-only publication)		1 issue in 2004 and 1 in 2006
		Information brochure about Agricultural Quality Standards (paper and Internet)		1 issue in 2004 and 1 in 2006
		Revised UNECE Standard for Bovine Meat - Carcasses and Cuts (paper and Internet)		1 issue in 2004 and 1 in 2007
		UNECE Standard for Ovine Meat - Carcasses and Cuts (paper and Internet)		1 issue in 2004 and 1 in 2007
		Revised UNECE Standard for Porcine Meat - Carcasses and Cuts (paper-only version)		1 issue in 2005

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		UNECE Standard for Llama Meat - Carcasses and Cuts (paper and Internet)		1 issue in 2005
		UNECE Standard for Seed Potatoes (revision), Paper publication		1 issue in 2005
		UNECE Standard for Goat Meat - Carcasses and Cuts (paper and Internet)		1 issue in 2006
		UNECE Standard for Turkey Meat - Carcasses and Cuts (paper and Internet)		1 in 2006
		UNECE Standard for Veal - Carcasses and Cuts (paper and Internet)		1 issue in 2007
	Recurrent Publications	United Nations Trade Data Interchange Directory (UNTDID – also known as the UN/EDIFACT Directories), Internet publication		2 issues each year
		United Nations Trade Data Elements Directory (UNTDED – also known as ISO 7372), Internet publication		1 issue in 2004
		UNECE Standards and Recommendations for Trade and Electronic Business, Internet publication		1 each year
		United Nations Code for Trade and Transport Locations (UN/LOCODE), Internet publication		2 each year
		Compendium of Norms, Standards and Best Practices for International Trade and Business, CD Rom publication		2 issues: 1 in 2005 and 1 in 2007
		Trade Development Directory, Internet publication		1 update each year
		UNECE Standards for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables (revision), Internet publication		1 update each year
		UNECE Standards for Dry and Dried Produce (revision), Internet publication		1 update each year
		UNECE Standard for Seed Potatoes (revision), Internet publication		1 update each year