

# ADVANCING AFGHAN TRADE

EU TRADE-RELATED ASSISTANCE

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The International Trade Centre (ITC) launched a trade-related assistance initiative funded by the European Union called Advancing Afghan Trade (AAT). Set in motion on 29 November 2016 in Kabul, the initiative intends to contribute to the strengthening of the country's trade capacities, with the long-term goal of helping to transform Afghanistan and its regional partners into a vibrant regional economic hub. The project will be implemented over a three-year period.

Funded by the EU, implementation of the initiative is now under way and is led by ITC in close collaboration with the Ministry of Industry and Commerce. In this 11th newsletter, we invite you to read the articles below to discover further progress made.

We look forward to sharing regular updates with all our stakeholders and garnering as much support from the community as possible, so please feel free to share this newsletter. It is our belief that the AAT will contribute to show trade can be used as a lever for economic growth, job creation, poverty reduction and enhanced regional cooperation.





## AFGHAN GOVERNMENT ENDORSES NATIONAL TRADE POLICY

On 10 October 2019 Afghanistan achieved another milestone in its efforts to use global markets to drive growth and job creation...

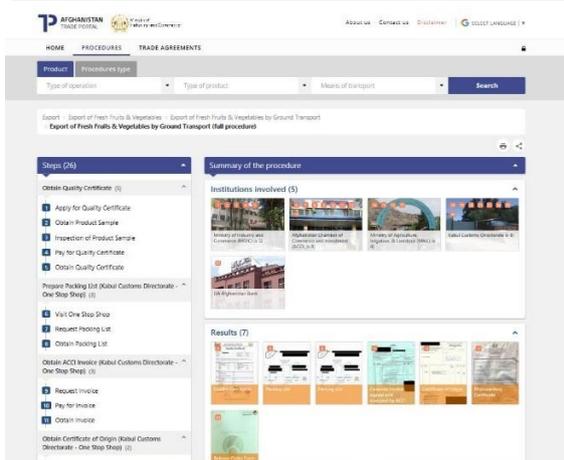
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## FIRST SENIOR BOARD MEETING OF NATIONAL EXPORT STRATEGY

On October 30, 2019, the Ministry of Industry of Industry and Commerce (MoIC) convened the 1st meeting of the NES Senior Board...

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## AAT BUILDS AFGHANISTAN TRADE INFORMATION PORTAL

Lack of transparency and predictability are key barriers to trade. Entrepreneurs often report that information on trade formalities are not...

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## ENTREPRENEURSHIP MANAGEMENT TRAINING FOR YOUTH IN HERAT

Start-ups and Emerging Entrepreneurs Network (SEEN) undertook a five-day entrepreneurship management training...

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## AFGHAN PARTICIPATION AT SPECA ECONOMIC FORUM

AAT supported Afghan participation to regional SPECA Economic forum, “Connectivity: Sustainable Transport and Trade Facilitation in the SPECA subregion”...

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## IN THE PRESS

Since the last newsletter, a lot of progress has been made and the project has attracted significant media attention...

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## WHAT'S NEXT?

See here for a brief overview of upcoming project activities in the next quarter...

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