

## Project title : LIBATRAD - Needs identification in the area of trade and technical assistance on trade for Lebanon

Project place	Project cost	Role in the project	Technical and financial sponsors	Dates
Lebanon	135 000 €	Expert	EU - European Union	December 2008 - February 2009

### Project's goals and results

#### Main goals

The overall objectives of the Trade Needs Identification (CBI) are to assist Lebanon:

- by integrating business problems into its development and strategy policy
- to better benefit from trade
- to participate more effectively in the multilateral and regional trading system
- to facilitate relations with donors and catalyze additional funds in the field of trade

#### Specific objectives

- Summarize and analyze the main constraints for Lebanon to benefit from trade
- Complement its needs in the area of TRA to facilitate more systematic engagement of different stakeholders
- Define an action plan with priorities to remove constraints
- Identify appropriate links to agricultural development
- Identify specific actions to be part of a trade-related assistance program, assisting the government on the issues of poverty and gender inequality in the TRA and its action plans.
- Increase awareness and understanding in the area of TRA through broad consultation across the mission

#### Beneficiaries

The Government of Lebanon, in particular the party involved in the design and implementation of trade policy, non-state actors involved in the commercial subjects and international or bilateral development agencies involved in technical assistance related to trade

#### Results

**R1.** The identification of all the constraints that Lebanon has to face in its participation in world trade

**R2.** A proposed strategy to address these constraints, taking into account that the objectives and outcomes must have a development orientation in relation to poverty reduction measures in Lebanon

**R3.** A series of recommendations on how to integrate poverty reduction measures into a national development strategy

#### Activities