COMCEC PROJECT SUPPORT PROGRAMS

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Outline



- 1. Overview of the COMCEC Project Support Programs
- 2. Objectives and Main Characteristics of the COMCEC Project Funding (CPF)
- 3. Project Preparation and Submission
 - a) How to prepare a project proposal
 - b) Online Project Submission
- 4. Timeline of Call for Project Proposals
- 5. Trade Projects under CPF in 2024



1) Overview







WHAT?

A **grant-based finance mechanism**, was introduced by COMCEC Coordination Office in 2014 as a **policy support instrument** under the COMCEC Strategy

WHY?

- Increasing institutional and human capacity
- Supporting implementation of policy recommendations adopted by COMCEC Ministerial Sessions
- Enhancing cooperation and solidarity among the member countries

WHO CAN APPLY?

Relevant public institution of a Member Country (Registered to Relevant Working Group) or an OIC Institution/Organ operating in the field of economic and commercial cooperation





- * More than 150 Projects from 30 Countries and 6 OIC institutions (2014-2024)
- * Almost all member countries have benefited from project outputs







HOW?

Financing projects in eight areas;

* Digital Transformation

* Trade

* Tourism

* Poverty Alleviation

* Transport and Communications

* SME Development

MAIN PROJECT TYPES

- <u>Training</u>, <u>Study Visit</u>, <u>Workshop</u>, <u>Conference and Seminar</u>, <u>Publicity Meetings and Preparation of Audio</u>, <u>Visual and Written Materials</u>
- <u>Peer-to-Peer Experience Sharing</u>
- Needs Assessment



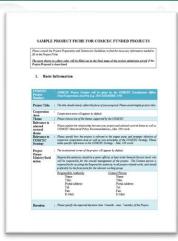
3) Project Preparation and Submission: a) How to Prepare a Project Proposal



- Review the reference documents on the Project Management Information System (https://project.comcec.org/) and Programs Website (https://programs.comcec.org/)
 - Project Preparation and Submission Guidelines
 - Sample Project Fiche
 - Supported Themes
 - COMCEC Strategy
- Send the relevant documents to the interested national institutions/departments
- Fill out the <u>online project fiche</u> through Project Management Information System
- Feel free to consult with the CCO



Project Preparation and Implementation Guidelines



Sample Project Fiche





SUPPORTED THEMES

https://programs.comcec.org/





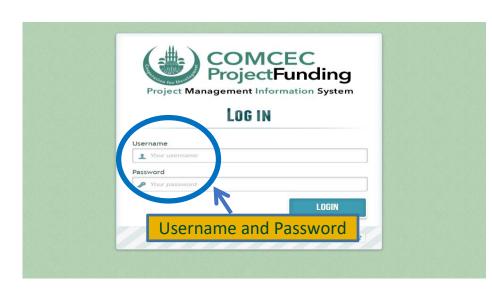
3) Project Preparation and Submission: b) Online Project Submission



ONLINE PROJECT SUBMISSION:

https://project.comcec.org/

- The Username and Password are only provided to the sectoral focal points.
- If you do not have username and password, please contact cpf@comcec.org.





4) Timeline Cycle of the Project



October 1st- 31st 2024 • 12th Call for Project Proposals **Declaration of Short List** Early December 2024 • Submission of the Final Version of Project Proposal by the Project End of December 2024 Owner February-March 2025 • Declaration of the Final List of Successful Project Proposals • Finalization of Contract Procedures April 2025 Organizing a Training Activity April-December 2025 Project Implementation Period

COORDINATION OFFICE



BANGLADESH	Strengthening Cross-Border E-Commerce Sector in Bangladesh through Enhancing Capacity of SMEs and Professionals
INDONESIA	Developing Product Information and Determining Halal Critical Points
SURINAME	Increasing Internationalization of SMEs in Suriname and Guyana
TÜRKİYE	Free Zone Training Program for Internationalization of SMEs
UGANDA	Enhancing good governance and technical capacity in SME to eliminate informalities in the sector





BANGLADESH

Project Title

: Strengthening Cross-Border E-Commerce Sector in Bangladesh

through Enhancing Capacity of SMEs and Professionals

Project Owner: Ministry of Commerce (Bangladesh Foreign Trade Institute)

Project Partner: Malaysia

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Project Activities: Study Visit and Training

Project Purpose: to expand the international trade of Bangladesh by integrating SMEs into global market through cross-border e-commerce.







Project Title: Developing Product Information and Determining Halal Critical

Points

Project Owner: Ministry of Trade

Project Partners: Malaysia, Türkiye, Brunei Darussalam, UAE and SMIIC

INDONESIA

Project Activities: Study Visit and Training

Project Purpose: improving the comprehension and application of Halal principles and practices in the food industry







Project Title : Increasing Internationalization of SMEs in Suriname and Guyana

Project Owner: Ministry of Economic Affairs, Entrepreneurship & Technological

Innovation

Project Partners: Guyana and Türkiye

Project Activities: Training

Project Purpose:

Ensuring market expansions by supporting entrepreneurs in Suriname and Guyana







Project Title: Free Zone Training Program for Internationalization of SMEs

Project Owner: Ministry of Trade

Project Partners: Indonesia, UAE, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Malaysia

Project Activities: Study Visits and Training

Project Purpose: Enhancing the global competitiveness of SMEs through the utilization of free zone advantages







Project Title: Enhancing good governance and technical capacity of SMEs to

eliminate informalities in the sector

Project Owner: Ministry of Trade, Industry and Cooperatives

Project Activities: Trainings

Project Purpose: ensuring formalization of SMEs by enhancing training skills of personnel from cooperatives, business enterprises, associations or groups, relevant public institutions





THANK YOU

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