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FOREWORD

The implementation of CEFTA 2006 during the last years has demonstrated Parties good will to comply with all commitments taken. We all witness and value achievements made so far, yet many challenges are ahead. We have undertaken liberal trade approach in the middle of the crisis and liberalized agriculture trade convinced that this is the appropriate approach toward higher export and intra-regional trade.

We have reasons to celebrate for what we have achieved as a region and I feel confident that we all share the same enthusiasm and energy to follow the same way. Albanian presidency coincides with a sensitive moment for all our economies. The unfolding of the crisis sees difficulties not only in EU countries but in the region also. I believe that we need to explore new areas for cooperation and create conditions for more investments while increasing the competitiveness of our economies.

From the prospective of the Chair in Office for 2012 I would like to highlight that there is still a lot to be done. We have already created a free trade zone among us but we acknowledge that trade alone cannot meet our objectives for the sustainable development. Albanian work program allows us to work closely with all CEFTA Parties and focus on complex areas such as services, state aid, investment, customs cooperation, etc. Additionally, compliance with EU Common Commercial Policy is a challenge in the integration process for our economies, hence during the Albanian chairmanship, a special attention will be dedicated to the human capacity building in trade development.

I would like to assure you that the Government of Albania will show the readiness to face any challenges and contribute to duly address issues that might arise during the implementation of its chairmanship program. The past experience gives us testimonies that we can successfully cope with any economic and trade issues and find solutions acceptable to all CEFTA Parties.

As your contribution to the successful implementation of the 2012 Chairmanship program is of essence, I feel confident that all together we can overcome obstacles and meet the targets!

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I. INTRODUCTION

Republic of Albania will take over the Chairmanship of CEFTA in 2012 based on the Decision No. 1/2007, Rules of Procedure (Article 3).

In its Chairmanship, Albania will be committed to develop further actions, particularly in the following priority areas with the objective to carry up the success reached so far in the implementation of the Agreement and to add up its contribution therein in full coordination with other CEFTA Parties.

In the framework of this objective, Albania has determined four priorities for its Chairmanship in 2012.

They are i) facilitating trade through further eliminating market access barriers and simplifying trade related procedures and regulations, ii) increasing the transparency in the areas that have a direct or indirect impact on trade, iii) Strengthening the capacity of trade policy formulation, coordination and implementation, and iv) Strengthening capacity to implement CEFTA Priorities.

II. PRIORITIES

The Chair in Office will follow up on the initiatives from the previous chairmanships and is fully committed to pay special attention to the following priorities:

Priority 1: Facilitating trade through further eliminating market access barriers and simplifying trade related procedures and regulations

- Agriculture including Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

1.1. Scrutinizing the Benefits of Liberalisation of trade in agricultural products

The effects of the liberalisation in agriculture achieved in 2010 and implemented in 2011 will closely be followed. The focus will be on the assessment of the impact of such liberalization not only on the economies that signed the Additional Protocol but also to the CEFTA region as a whole.

1.2. Strengthening the Intraregional Cooperation in SPS matters

The Chair in Office is ready to work on the identification of SPS authorities in the CEFTA Parties that have an advanced level of experience and knowledge on the implementation of SPS matters and can act as focal points. The main purpose of establishing these focal points

will be to create conditions for dissemination of knowledge of the more advanced Parties to the less advanced ones in the particular fields of SPS in order to improve cooperation among the SPS administrations.

- Customs and Rules of Origin

1.3. Continuation of multiannual approach to facilitate trade through simplifying customs matters

Through adopting the multiannual work programme in 2011, the Chair in Office believes that the scope of activities to be carried out by the Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin has been extended to compose the perspective of trade facilitation as foreseen by the Agreement. In this regard, the Chair in Office welcomes the continuation of a similar approach in the field of customs and the multiannual priorities identified in the said work programme are followed in 2012 and formulated into yearly actions by the Chair of the Subcommittee.

1.4. Developing a regional approach on electronic data exchange between the CEFTA Parties

The Chair in Office regards the importance of encouraging further progress in electronic exchange of customs data which has been underway as part of an ongoing EU financed project, called as SEED. As the last year conclusions underlined the importance of utilizing the usage of data to be exchanged for the purpose of facilitating trade, the Chair in Office will work on promoting the ways to employ the exchanged data to increase the quality of customs controls/inspections while decreasing their frequency.

1.5. Increasing coordination between Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin and Subcommittee on NTBs and TBT

The coordination between CEFTA Subcommittees, particularly between the Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin and the Subcommittee on NTBs and TBT, is of crucial importance. In this regard, the Chair in Office will take all necessary actions to facilitate the coordination between these two subcommittees, particularly within the framework of activities to be carried out by the Multilateral Monitoring Framework for NTBs, as stipulated by the multiannual programme.

- Non-tariff Barriers to Trade and Technical Barriers to Trade

1.6. Systematic Approach in Eliminating Non-tariff Barriers to Trade

Having fully taken into account what was achieved in the area of elimination of NTBs last year, Albania will support further progress in the implementation of the Multilateral Monitoring Framework on elimination of NTBs (MMF).

Acknowledging the areas such as TBT, SPS and administrative barriers as current and potential sources of barriers that might have negative effects on intraregional trade, Albania will, in coordination with the OECD team, develop the action plan on specific activities to be undertaken in order to decrease the possibility of their appearance in future.

- Liberalisation of trade in services

1.7. Recording the existing barriers in services trade

The Chair in Office strongly supports the concept of trade liberalisation as a tool not only towards the enhanced trade flows but also to the improved competitiveness and better positioning of the region on a global scene.

Although many Parties in their accession paths towards the EU and to the WTO membership have quite open their services markets, as well as in some of the regional treaties (such as energy, aviation and railway), there are many barriers left and the closer look at them, the better analysis and joint approach would benefit Parties in the negotiating process. With the intention to ease up the task of the negotiating Parties, Albania will engage efforts to create a sort of record on existing barriers in services trade according to the methodology developed in the OECD countries.

Priority 2: Increasing the transparency in the areas that have a direct or indirect impact on trade

- Agriculture including Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures
- 2.1. Ensuring the transparency of SPS measures

In order to provide for full transparency in the area of sanitary and phytosanitary measures the Chair will dedicate its efforts in the next year to create a database on applied SPS measures in the CEFTA Parties.

The purpose of this database is to provide the comprehensive information on existing SPS measures applied across the region and to support the work done within the Subcommittee on NTBs and TBT when discussing the potential actions in reducing the NTBs.

- Customs and Rules of Origin

2.2. Promote customs to business relations from a regional perspective

One of the multiannual priorities set last year was to analyse the feasibility of developing a regionally recognised CEFTA authorised economic operator programme. In that regard, Albania considers the necessity to organise a meeting with representatives of the regional trading community to discuss the ways of establishing transparent, efficient and effective procedures to ensure sustainable and reliable information exchange between CEFTA Customs authorities and the private sector.

- Non-tariff Barriers to Trade and Technical Barriers to Trade

2.3. Promoting Image and Visibility of CEFTA 2006 through CEFTA Trade Portal

During its chairmanship, Albania will make its best efforts to promote the image and visibility of CEFTA 2006 through regularly updated and upgraded CEFTA Trade Portal.

Following the performed revision of the Portal, the ad hoc Task Force together with the GIZ will work to improve performance of the Portal focusing on its enhanced structure and content, better quality of information and fully standardised data. In addition, new features might be added such as users friendly search engine, which the Chair strongly believes, will contribute to the joint endeavours to send the more comprehensive and positive message on the region's performances outlook.

Moreover, Albania being a host of the GIZ Project for several years, is offering its experience and knowledge to the Chair of the Subcommittee on NTBs and TBT (Croatia) in the process of the transfer of the Portal to the CEFTA Parties.

- State Aid

2.4. Creating an inventory of state aid schemes

The CEFTA Joint Committee adopted a Ministerial Decision establishing the notification system of aid schemes by the CEFTA Parties according to Article 21 (7) of the Agreement. Upon that decision, the first report of existing state aid schemes will be prepared and submitted to the Joint Committee under the Albanian Chairmanship. Albania will encourage all Parties to prepare their reports in line with the adopted format and deadlines in reporting to the Joint Committee.

Priority 3: Strengthening the capacity of trade policy formulation, coordination and implementation

- Investment

3.1. Strengthening interaction with the RCC Investment Committee

The Chair in Office will invite the RCC Investment Committee to work on the elimination of investment unfriendly trade barriers and/or promoting investment friendly trade relate legislation in different sectors in coordination with the CEFTA structures. In this context, relevant outputs of the ongoing projects under CEFTA i.e. OECD Mapping of Investment, OECD Monitoring Instrument, IFC Trade Logistics, and any new projects in 2012 will be communicated to the Investment Committee.

- Capacity building

3.2. Capacity building in trade development

In all areas the implementation of CEFTA has entered into a phase where issues discussed/ negotiated are getting both more technical and increasingly complex. This requires not only permanent and efficient coordination among the Parties but also within respective administrations. Timely identification and articulation of interest at the individual Party as well as at the multilateral level is a prerequisite to successful implementation of the Agreement in this phase. A further important dimension of the CEFTA implementation is a fact that it has to be constantly coordinated with the EU and for some of the Parties also WTO accession process.

To this aim Albania will take a capacity building initiative, which would involve the Article 44 Contact Points and their teams, and build on the best practice and positive experience of other administrations in i) coordination of multilateral agreements, ii) organisation of the process, iii) management of the process, iv) composition and training of a multi-skill team etc.

Priority 4: Strengthening capacity to implement CEFTA Priorities

4.1. Creating CEFTA Project Facility

Last year Albania took an initiative as the Chair in Office of 2012 and requested the creation of a financial window to finance small size projects for the better implementation of CEFTA priorities. The reason why Albania had to take this initiative is the absence of financial mechanisms to support priorities determined by the CEFTA Structures, the realization of which do not mostly require a large sum of financial assistance but foresee crucial actions for the implementation of the Agreement. In this regard, the request of Albania has been positively responded by the European Commission. The European Commission reportedly proposed to the EU Member States to allocate some EURO 200,000 to support the creation of a project facility, called as CEFTA Project Facility. Albania will fully be committed to take any required action for completing the creation of CEFTA Project Facility and make it functional by the end of 2012 at the latest.

III. ACTIVITIES AND EXPECTED RESULTS

In this field, besides each activity and its corresponding expected result, the Chair in Office also informs about the identified means to carry out each activity and elaborates how the realisation of each activity is contemplated from financial and technical assistance perspectives.

Priority 1: Facilitating trade through further eliminating market access barriers and simplifying trade related procedures and regulations

Activity 1.1.: Scrutinizing the Benefits of Liberalisation of Trade in Agricultural Products

The Chair in Office welcomes the Subcommittee on Agriculture and SPS to engage efforts in assessing the benefit of liberalization of agricultural trade and report on the impact to the Joint Committee at its sixth meeting in October/November 2012.

The relevant discussions will be held in the framework of the Subcommittee meetings. It is not assumed to initiate a new technical assistance project for this activity.

By the end of 2012, it is expected that the impacts of the liberalisation of trade in agriculture would be reviewed and assessed;

Activity 1.2: Strengthening the Intraregional Cooperation in SPS matters

The Subcommittee on Agriculture will discuss on creating so called focal points in those CEFTA Parties with greater experience and knowledge on SPS related matters that could be shared with others for the sake of facilitating the intraregional trade.

The relevant discussions will be held in the framework of the Subcommittee meetings. In addition, the Chair considers beneficial to organise a one-day workshop on this issue provided that the allocation of funds from the CEFTA Project Facility would be available.

By the end of 2012, a number of focal points identified in the CEFTA Parties, and their future activities would be defined.

<u>Activity 1.3.</u>: Continuation of multiannual approach to facilitate trade through simplifying customs matters

It is expected that the updating of the multiannual work programme of the Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin would be done through the activities to be carried by the Subcommittee.

The relevant discussions will be held in the framework of the Subcommittee meetings. It is not assumed to initiate a new technical assistance project for this activity.

By the end of 2012 the priorities set by the multiannual programme on customs would be detailed and their specificities clarified through the activities of the Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin.

<u>Activity 1.4.</u>: Developing a regional approach on electronic data exchange between the CEFTA Parties

The Chair in Office welcomes the efforts to be made by the Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin in order to analyse the type of actions which need to be taken at a political level, if necessary, and to utilise the electronic exchange of data between customs authorities for the purpose of trade facilitation.

The relevant discussions will be held in the framework of the Subcommittee meetings. It is not assumed to initiate a new technical assistance project for this activity.

By the end of 2012, the CEFTA Parties would have a clear identification of the ways how to utilise the electronic exchange of data for trade facilitation purposes.

<u>Activity 1.5.</u>: Increasing coordination between Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin and Subcommittee on NTBs and TBT

The Chair in Office encourages the Chairs of Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin and Subcommittee on TBT and NTBs to be in close coordination, particularly in the implementation of the MMF Project. As the involvement of the CEFTA Customs Authorities regarding the implementation of the second stage of the MMF Project, the Chair in Office will intervene to ensure high quality contribution of the CEFTA customs authorities, if necessary.

It is expected that the preparation time of final outputs and reports regarding the customs related matters is shortened and their content is substantiated.

Activity 1.6.: A Systematic Approach in Eliminating Non-tariff Barriers to Trade

The Chair in Office welcomes the Subcommittee TBT and NTBs's Action plan to implement the MMF for the next year.

The relevant discussions will be held in the framework of the Subcommittee meetings and as part of the ongoing MMF project.

It is expected that that the first assessment of MMF on selected final products will be completed by the end of 2012. The conclusions and recommendations from the assessment will be submitted to the Joint Committee for endorsement.

Activity 1.7: Recording the existing barriers in services trade

By the end of 2012 the Chair in Office expects that a roadmap for the negotiations would be agreed among the negotiating Parties. Furthermore, it is expected that the interested Parties would consider launching of potential negotiations. The Chair in Office considers that an analytical work in specific areas of interest for the negotiations by the World Bank will complement the work of the WG on Trade in Services members. Lastly, a regulatory database would be created based on the Services Trade Restrictiveness Index and methodology used by the OECD.

Priority 2: Increasing the transparency in the areas that have a direct or indirect impact on trade

Activity 2.1.: Ensuring the transparency of SPS measures

With the assistance of all CEFTA Parties and expertise of outsourced consultancy, Albania expects that a database on applied SPS measures will be created and made available for Parties and other users by the end of 2012.

Activity 2.2.: Promote customs to business relations from a regional perspective

The Chair in Office deems beneficial if a meeting is organised during which the customs and private sector can discuss the ways and procedures of systemic information exchange.

The Chair in Office welcomes the consideration of the Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin to organise that workshop in 2012.

International organisations and the representatives of other customs authorities might be invited to contribute in the organisation of the workshop. The organization of the workshop might financially be supported by the CEFTA Project Facility, provided that the allocation of funds from the Facility would be available by then.

Activity 2.3.: Promoting Image and Visibility if CEFTA 2006 through CEFTA Trade Portal

The Chair in Office expects that the work on transfer of CEFTA Trade Portal from GIZ to the Parties will be facilitated by the CEFTA Trade Portal Task Force. It is expected that the

Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding on Transfer of the Trade Portal is signed by November 2012.

The Chair in Office welcomes the regular update of the Portal in cooperation and assistance of the GIZ Project.

It is not assumed to initiate a new technical assistance project for this activity.

Activity 2.4.: Creating an inventory of state aid schemes

According to the Ministerial Decision establishing the CEFTA state aid notification system adopted in 2011, the CEFTA Parties will notify their existing aid schemes through using a special format which is similar to EU and WTO reporting practices.

The Chair in Office will make sure an inventory of the existing aid schemes notified by the Parties be prepared and submitted to the Joint Committee meeting in 2012.

It is not assumed to initiate a new technical assistance project for this activity.

Priority 3: Strengthening the capacity of trade policy formulation, coordination and implementation

Activity 3.1.: Strengthening interaction with the RCC Investment Committee

The Chair in Office will ensure the provision of a substantiated input of the ongoing projects under CEFTA i.e. OECD Mapping of Investment, OECD Monitoring Instrument, IFC Trade Logistics, and any new projects in 2012 to the Investment Committee.

Furthermore, for the sake of creating synergy with the RCC, the Chair in Office will consider either attending the RCC Investment Committee or inviting their representatives to the relevant CEFTA meetings, if necessary.

Activity 3.2.: Technical Assistance for capacity building in trade development

The Chair in Office will make its best efforts to commence the implementation of a technical assistance for capacity building in trade development in 2012. In this regard, all CEFTA Parties' contribution to designing of that project will actively be actively sought.

The technical assistance for this project might be financed by the CEFTA Project Facility, provided that the allocation of funds from the Facility would be available by then.

Priority 4: Strengthening capacity to implement CEFTA Priorities

Activity 4.1.: Creating CEFTA Project Facility

The Chair in Office will ask the CEFTA Secretariat to carry out all administrative and procedural requirements to complete the creation of the CEFTA Project Facility and inform the Parties accordingly.

By the first half of 2012, it is expected that the CEFTA Project Facility is up and running.

IV. RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS

The Chair in Office foresees the following issues out of its control in the implementation of its Chairmanship priorities but assumes that any development that might endanger the smooth functioning of the Agreement will be prevented by the joint effort of each CEFTA Party.

- 1) Each CEFTA Party keeps committed to the CEFTA process and its provisions.
- 2) Bi-lateral problems between the CEFTA Parties which do not have any direct relevance to the implementation of the Agreement do not affect the smooth functioning of the Agreement,
- 3) International donors keep committed to support financially the CEFTA.

V. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The tentative calendar for the year 2012 is as follows:

MEETING/EVENT	DATE	Place
4 th Meeting of the Working Group on TBT	1 February 2012	Malmo, Sweden
4 th CEFTA Secretariat Steering Committee Meeting	23 February 2012	Brussels, Belgium
CEFTA Deputy/Assistant Ministers Strategic Meeting	23 February 2012	Brussels, Belgium
4 th Meeting of the Working Group on Trade in Services	29 March 2012	Tirana, Albania

5 th Meeting of the Subcommittee on TBT and NTBs	May 2012	Zagreb, Croatia
4 th Meeting of the Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin	May 2012	Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
5 th Meeting of the Subcommittee on Agriculture and SPS	May 2012	Tirana, Albania
Deputy Ministers Meeting	June 2012	Tirana, Albania
5 th Meeting of the Working Group on Trade in Services	September 2012	Tirana, Albania
5 th Meeting of the Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin	September 2012	Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
6 th Meeting of the Subcommittee on TBT and NTBs	October 2012	Budapest, Hungary
CEFTA Week 2012	October - November 2012	Tirana, Albania
6 th Joint Committee Meeting	October – November 2012	Tirana, Albania

ANNEX 1: Logical framework matrix

LOG FRAME PLANNING MATRIX FOR CEFTA CIO PRIORITIES		Period: January – December 2012	
Overall objective	Indicators of Achievement	Sources of verification	
to develop further actions, particularly in the following priority areas with the objective to carry up the success reached so far in the implementation of the Agreement and to add up its contribution therein in full coordination with other CEFTA Parties.		CEFTA CiO Report and CEFTA Subcommittees reports	
Priorities	Indicators of Achievement	Sources of Verification	Assumptions
eliminating market access barriers and simplifying trade related procedures and regulations,	 2)All relevant parties, particularly the private sector in the CEFTA Region are better informed about the rules and regulations having an impact on trade 3)TA to strengthen the capacity of trade development is launched 4) CEFTA project facility is in place 	CEFTA CiO Report, CEFTA Subcommittees reports, CEFTA MADBase	 Each CEFTA Party remains committed to the CEFTA process and its provisions. Bi-lateral problems between the CEFTA Parties which do not have any direct relevance to the implementation of the Agreement do not affect the smooth functioning of the Agreement, International donors keep committed to support financially the CEFTA.

Activities	Results	Means	Assumptions
Priority 1 :			1)Each CEFTA Party remains committed to the CEFTA process and its provisions.
1) Scrutinizing the Benefits of Liberalisation		SC on Agriculture and SPS meetings	2)Bi-lateral problems between the
of Trade in Agricultural Products	agriculture reviewed and assessed.		CEFTA Parties which do not have any
2) Strengthening the Intraregional	2) By the end of 2012, focal points identified in the CEFTA Parties, and		direct relevance to the implementation of the Agreement do not affect the
Cooperation in SPS matters	their future activities defined.		smooth functioning of the Agreement,
			3)International donors keep committed
			to support financially the CEFTA.
3) Continuation of multiannual approach to facilitate trade through simplifying customs matters	3) By the end of 2012 the priorities set by the multiannual programme on customs detailed and their specificities clarified.	SC on Customs and RoO meetings	
4) Developing a regional approach on electronic data exchange between the CEFTA Parties	4) By the end of 2012, the ways how to utilise the electronic exchange of data for trade facilitation purposes identified.	SC on Customs and RoO meetings	
5) Increasing coordination between Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin and Subcommittee on NTBs and TBT	5) Preparation time of final outputs and reports regarding the customs related matters is shortened and their content is substantiated.	SC on Customs and RoO and SC on NTBs and TBT meetings	
6) A Systematic Approach in Eliminating Non-tariff Barriers to Trade	6) the first assessment of MMF on selected final products will be completed by the end of 2012.7) The conclusions and recommendations from the assessment will be submitted to the Joint Committee for endorsement.	SC on NTBs and TBT meetings OECD MMF Project	
7) Recording the existing barriers in services trade	 8) Roadmap for the negotiations agreed among the negotiating Parties. The interested Parties considered launching of negotiations 9) A supportive analytical work in specific areas of interest for the negotiations completed. 10) A regulatory database created based on the STRI and methodology of the. 	WG on Services meetings	

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11)Database on applied SPS measures created by the end of 2012.	SC on Agriculture and SPS meetings	
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13)The CEFTA Trade Portal Task Force facilitates the transfer of the Portal and a multilateral MoU on Trade Portal signed allowing its full ownership by the CEFTA Parties.14) The Portal regularly updated.15)The feasibility of upgrading the Portal with a TARIC-like search engine analysed.	5	
16) Inventory of the existing aid schemes prepared and submitted to the Joint Committee meeting in 2012.	CEFTA Parties notifications	
17)Input of the ongoing projects under CEFTA i.e. OECD Mapping of Investment, OECD Monitoring Instrument, IFC Trade Logistics, and any new projects in 2012 to the Investment Committee given to the RCC Investment committee.	The reports of the relevant CEFTA Projects	
18) Technical assistance for capacity building in trade development started in 2012.	CiO, CEFTA Project Facility	
19)The Chair in Office will ask the CEFTA Secretariat to carry out all administrative and procedural requirements to complete the creation of the CEFTA Project Facility and inform the Parties accordingly.	CiO, CEFTA Secretariat	
	 12)A workshop on customs to business relations organised. 13)The CEFTA Trade Portal Task Force facilitates the transfer of the Portal and a multilateral MoU on Trade Portal signed allowing its full ownership by the CEFTA Parties. 14) The Portal regularly updated. 15)The feasibility of upgrading the Portal with a TARIC-like search engine analysed. 16) Inventory of the existing aid schemes prepared and submitted to the Joint Committee meeting in 2012. 17)Input of the ongoing projects under CEFTA i.e. OECD Mapping of Investment, OECD Monitoring Instrument, IFC Trade Logistics, and any new projects in 2012 to the Investment Committee given to the RCC Investment committee. 18) Technical assistance for capacity building in trade development started in 2012. 	12)A workshop on customs to business relations organised. SC on Customs and RoO meetings, CEFTA Project Facility 13)The CEFTA Trade Portal Task Force facilitates the transfer of the Portal and a multilateral MoU on Trade Portal signed allowing its full ownership by the CEFTA Parties. SC on NTBs and Task Force meetings GIZ Project 14) The Portal regularly updated. 15)The feasibility of upgrading the Portal with a TARIC-like search engine analysed. SC on NTBs and Task Force meetings GIZ Project 16) Inventory of the existing aid schemes prepared and submitted to the Joint Committee meeting in 2012. CEFTA Parties notifications 17)Input of the ongoing projects under CEFTA i.e. OECD Mapping of Investment, OECD Monitoring Instrument, IFC Trade Logistics, and any new projects in 2012 to the Investment Committee given to the RCC Investment committee. The reports of the relevant CEFTA Projects 18) Technical assistance for capacity building in trade development started in 2012. CIO, CEFTA Project Facility 19)The Chair in Office will ask the CEFTA Secretariat to carry out all dministrative and procedural requirements to complete the creation CIO, CEFTA Secretariat