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SECOND MEETING OF THE GMS TASK FORCE
ON TRADE AND INVESTMENT AND
WORKSHOP ON DIGITAL SUPPLY CHAIN

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GMS Task Force on Trade and Investment (TFTI) 2023-2024 Capacity Building Plan Draft for discussion

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Approach/ Principles

- “Quick wins” or “low-hanging fruits”
- Synergies with private sector/ other GMS WGs
- Action-oriented for effective implementation
- GMS corridors/sector WG as demonstrative case
- Synergies with other regional arrangements/ commitments



Focused areas

- “Integrative trade”: bringing Trade and Investment together, including but not limited to supply chain and digitalization
- Trade and SME Financing for Policymakers
- International standards: regulatory gaps and possible “routes to regional and global interoperability”
- Emerging ESG trends: standards and application for market access, competitiveness (tariff) and referencing/ tracing/ certification



Possible activities (government participants)

2023: 2 events (private sector as resources)

- Integrative trade with trade financing impact?
- Regulatory gap and how trade financing can be enhanced
 - Possible action plans how to close the gaps

2024: 2 events (private sector as resources)

- Enabling Deep Tier Supply Chain Finance (policy angle)
 - Possible action plans to facilitate DTSCF
- ESG regulations for trade and investment
 - Possible action plans how to adopt relevant ESG measures

Parallel activities for private sector participants in similar topics



Targets

- Better coordination to facilitate “integrative trade”
- Better awareness of the role and impact of financing in trade and supply chains
- Better awareness to mainstream “standards adoption”
- Better readiness for ESG eco-system development



Thank you!