

ITCB Action Plan for Development and Dissemination of Information and Provision of Services with Regular/Periodic Updates as Appropriate¹

Trade regulation and trade negotiation²

- (i) Matters related to multilateral negotiations, such as under the WTO
- (ii) Policy analysis and research pertinent to trade in textiles and clothing, including in collaboration with member governments and their private sector organisations
- (iii) Tariffs
- (iv) Origin rules, both non-preferential and preferential
- (v) Technical barriers to trade
- (vi) Other non-tariff measures
- (vii) Trade defence and trade remedy measures
- (viii) Trade disputes
- (ix) Free trade agreements, preferential trade agreements and schemes, and plurilateral trade agreements
- (x) Country and product specific studies and reports
- (xi) Policy updates

Market-related information³

- (i) Production of textile and clothing products
- (ii) Import/export statistics (in respect of major export destinations for members): information and analysis
- (iii) Developments in unit values of imports
- (iv) Data and analysis on growth and development of intra-developing country trade
- (v) Developments in textile-related investments
- (vi) Country assessment studies, i.e., the potential and development of textiles and clothing in the countries concerned
- (vii) Importer-exporter directories

Trade support and networking⁴

- (i) Capacity building in relation to trade regulation and trade information
- (ii) Organisation of and participation in seminars, workshops and discussion forums, including in collaboration with member governments and their private sectors
- (iii) Facilitation of trade cooperation among members by extending the ITCB platform for inter-action among representatives of members' trade associations and other stakeholders
- (iv) Facilitation of dialogues, both among government functionaries and private sector stakeholders aimed at exchange of information and experience especially on industry development, value-addition, vertical industrial integration, training, technology transfer, aid-for-trade, and the like.
- (v) Encouraging business contacts and cooperation through information on trade contact points (such as websites, etc.)

¹ The list of elements in this Annex is not meant to be exhaustive.

² With respect to items (iii) to (x) under this heading, the Bureau will develop and regularly update information and analysis affecting or pertinent to Members' exports in the sector.

³ Information and/or analysis under this heading shall be updated periodically as necessary, where possible on a half-yearly or quarterly basis.

⁴ Frequency of events under this heading will be as may be approved by the Council under the annual work programme pursuant to Article 9(1) of the Arrangement Establishing the ITCB.