



Project Title: Capacity Building in Trade Institutions of the

Central Asian Countries of COMCEC

Project Owner Country: Afghanistan

Project Owner Institution: Ministry of Commerce and Industries

Partner Countries: Pakistan, Iran and Tajikistan

Cooperation Area: Trade

Project Purpose: The objective of the project was to analyze potential barriers in foreign trade and finance for SMEs in Afghanistan by using surveys and secondary data. That research also shed light on the issue that how MoCI could help Afghan SMEs increase their exports to international market, and access to finance by emphasizing possible government interventions.

Completed Project Activities:

- Desk based research,
- Training workshop with project partners,
- Drafting and publishing a final report on SME finance.