



Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF)  
for trade-related assistance for Least Developed Countries (LDCs)



# **The Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF): An Overview**

**Expert Group Meeting on Enhancing Sustainable Tourism: Eco-Tourism, Poverty Eradication and Environmental Protection**

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# The Enhanced Integrated Framework

## The EIF provides a FRAMEWORK and TOOLS

- to maximise the use of **Trade for Development**
- ensure that LDCs have **ownership** and control of the tools to achieve this (*strengthening of country systems*)
- Develop **partnerships** at the
  - local level (*inter-ministerial, PPD, other partners*)
  - international level (*more effective and efficient AfT*)
- Current Phase 2008-2015  
(implementation to 2017)



# Tourism and the EIF

## **Tourism is a priority for many EIF countries**

- Tourism has been part of DTIS or DTIS Updates in 39 countries;
- Tourism is also a priority for Tier 2 projects supporting trade/tourism capacity
  - Sierra Leone eco-tourism project under implementation; Burundi tourism component of a larger project;
  - Tourism projects under preparation in six countries (Cambodia, Comoros, Lesotho, Maldives, Uganda and Zambia)

# History of the EIF

- The Integrated Framework (IF) was established in 1997 and reviewed in 2005
- The **Enhanced** Integrated Framework (EIF) was established in 2007; implementation started in 2008; 5-year mandate:
  - Increasing financial resources and their predictability;
  - Strengthening of national institutions;
  - Enhancing the global governance of the programme to support beneficiary countries; and
  - Improving monitoring and evaluation.



# Overall Programme Goal

**Goal:** LDCs integration into the global trading system with a view to contributing to poverty reduction and sustainable development

## **Purpose:**

1. **Mainstream trade** into national development strategies
2. **Establish structures** to coordinate the delivery of Trade Related Technical Assistance (TRTA)
3. **Build capacity** to trade (addressing supply side constraints)

# Who?

- 49 Countries (47 LDCs & 2 Recently Graduated Countries)
- 23 Donors,
- 6 core Implementing Partners & Observer Agencies



# EIF Support Tier 1

## **EIF Trust Fund has two Tiers; Tier 1 funds:**

- Diagnostic Trade Integration Studies (DTIS, up to US\$400,000) and DTIS Updates (up to US\$200,000) identifying constraints to trade and opportunities to expand trade, including an Action Matrix with priority reform and investment projects
- Pre-DTIS projects for recently admitted countries to facilitate consultations on trade mainstreaming and DTIS; US\$50,000
- Multiyear projects supporting institutional capacity building for trade mainstreaming, donor coordination and resource mobilisation for Action Matrix priorities; up to US\$900,000/per annum

# EIF Support Tier 2

## **EIF Trust Fund has two Tiers; Tier 2 funds:**

- Support to priority small scale (US\$1.5 – 3million) projects identified in the DTIS to overcome supply side constraints to trade with view of assisting in development of a sustainable basis for goods and services export growth;
- Projects of a catalyst nature to leverage additional Aid for Trade (AfT) resources.



# The EIF and UNWTO

## **Tourism is a priority for EIF countries, so a partnership with UNWTO has been developed**

- Joint workshop between UNWTO, ITC and EIF in Geneva in 2011, attended by 8 countries
- EIF participates in the Steering Committee on tourism Development (SCTD)
- UNWTO providing advisory services for project development, and implementation
- Planned: integration of UNWTO capacity building module into EIF capacity building programme

# Leveraging AfT for Tourism through the EIF

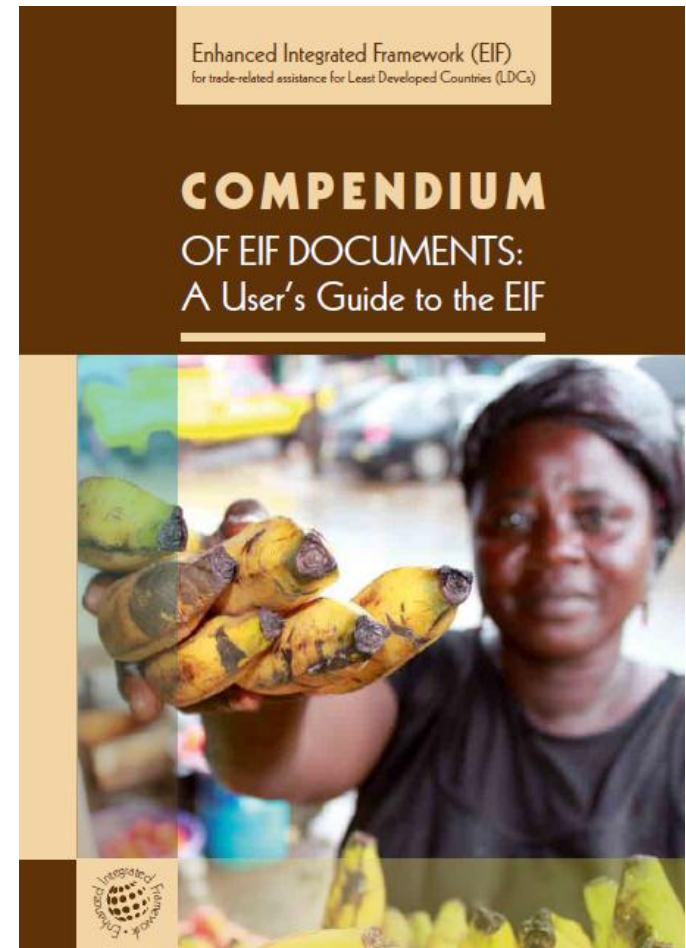


## **Four elements to leverage AfT for tourism:**

- Tourism covered in the DTIS/Update and priority actions included in the Action Matrix;
- Tourism and priority actions included for trade mainstreaming into the Development Plan (or PRSP);
- Tier 2 projects for the tourism sector chosen strategically to leverage resources (e.g. pilot project that can be rolled out, or project providing critical link/basis to access further aid);
- Tourism and priority actions included in donor dialogue on trade, based on DTIS/Update Action Matrix as key donor platform for AfT.

# Key Resources

- EIF Compendium
- EIF Quick Guide (English & French)
- EIF Annual Progress Report
- EIF Website  
[www.enhancedif.org](http://www.enhancedif.org)
- ES & TFM teams





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# Thank you



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