



The project “Integrating Landlocked Commodity Dependent Developing Countries into Regional and Global Value Chains” was launched in March 2018. This two-year project, funded by the United Nation’s 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Sub-Fund, is implemented by UNCTAD, in collaboration with UN-OHRLLS, Regional Commissions (ECA, ECE and ESCAP), UN specialized agencies and programmes (FAO, ITC, UNDP and UNIDO) and regional organizations (Shanghai Cooperation Organization).

Objective:

The project’s overall objective is to support integrated value chain development in four landlocked commodity dependent developing economies

(Ethiopia, Laos, Mongolia, and Uzbekistan), focusing on the agri-food sector. It aims at enhancing the countries’ capacities in formulating and implementing policies and strategies to promote better integration into Regional and Global Value Chains (RVCs and GVCs).

The project aims to achieve:

- 1) Improved statistical and analytical capacity of beneficiary countries in effective policy formulation to promote the integration of local food industries into RVCs and GVCs; and
- 2) Improved capacity of the private sector in beneficiary countries to assess market prospects, identify market opportunities and overcome market barriers to integrate their food products into new markets.

Several activities will be carried out under the project:

- Conducting country-level surveys and preparing analytical reports,
- Organizing regional and national capacity-building seminars and business forum,
- Developing training programmes and assisting countries in designing evidence-based policies to support integrated value chain development.

The key stakeholders to be engaged in the project activities include government officials from relevant ministries and private sector players such as food producers, processors and traders.

For more information, please consult the project document, which contains details about the project and its activities on our website: <http://unctad.org/en/Pages/SUC/Commodities/SUC-Project-LLDCs-in-GVCs.aspx>

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