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**ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION'S OTHER PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARY BODIES RELATED  
TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE FOR TRADE, INDUSTRY AND  
ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT**

Note by the secretariat

The present document refers to trade-related activities of other Principal Subsidiary Bodies (PSBs) of the Commission which may be of interest to the Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development.

A number of PSBs engage in trade-related activities which are specific to their sectoral programmes. Subsidiary bodies of the Commission regularly review developments, policies and prospects affecting their sphere of activity which, in many respects, have an international trade dimension.

The list of activities reproduced in the Annex provides only the titles of the projects. Further information regarding these projects can be obtained from the relevant work programme of each PSB.

In order to avoid duplication of work, improve management of resources and maintain an exchange of information on trade-related activities, cooperation takes place at three levels:

- I. among the subsidiary bodies
- II. between the secretariat and the subsidiary bodies
- III. within the secretariat.

Staff members of the Trade Division make presentations whenever requested, on the activities of the Committee which are relevant to the sessions of interested subsidiary bodies of the Commission.

At the secretariat level, exchange of information on programme formulation and implementation is made through discussions among the managers of specific projects.

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**Annex****MAJOR TRADE-RELATED PROJECTS OF OTHER  
PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARY BODIES****I. PROJECTS RELATED TO TRADE FACILITATION**1. Environment

4.1 Exchange of technology for air pollution control

2. Transport

02.2.2 Harmonization of requirements concerning international road transport and facilitation of its operations

02.5.2 Harmonization of requirements concerning international railway transport including rail safety and facilitation of its operations

02.6.2 Harmonization of requirements concerning international inland waterway transport, including safety and facilitation of its operations

02.7 Regulations on the transport of dangerous goods by road, rail, inland waterways and combined transport

02.9 Promotion of combined and multimodal transport

02.10 Harmonization and simplification of requirements for border crossing procedures concerning modes of inland transportation

02.11 Harmonization of regulations and standards relating to the international transport of perishable foodstuffs and facilitation of its operations

3. Statistics

2.1 Management of information technology infrastructure: transfer of know-how to countries with economies in transition and other non-EU member countries in the framework of Meetings on Management of Statistical Information Technology.

2.3 Dissemination and interchange of statistical information: participation in the work of the European Board for EDI Standardisation.

1. Human settlements

10.1.3 Cadastre and land registration systems

## II. PROJECTS RELATED TO TRADE AND INVESTMENT PROMOTION

### 1. Transport

- 02.1.1 Review of general trends with regard to transport development and transport policy

### 2. Energy

- 06.3 Development of regional sustainable energy strategy for the 21<sup>st</sup> century

- 06.5 Energy infrastructure including interconnection of electric power and gas networks

### 3. Timber

- 09(B)1.4 Activities for countries in transition

- 09(B)1.5 Review of markets for forest products and short-term forecasts

### 4. Environment

- 4.3 Guidelines on integrating environmental considerations into sectoral policies

### 5. Human settlements

- 10.1.3 Cadastre and land registration systems

- 10.1.6 Major trends characterizing human settlements development

## III. PROJECTS RELATED TO INDUSTRY AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

The Coordinating Unit for Operational Activities is assisting countries with economies in transition in formulating national policies and programmes related to small and medium-sized enterprises.

## IV. LIAISON WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND THE ORGANIZATION OF SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

### 1. Environment

- 3.1 Energy and the environment (project which may lead to a seminar)

- 3.3 Local initiatives towards sustainable consumption patterns (project which may lead to a seminar)

### I. Timber

- 1.3 Sustainable forest management in the region (seminar on trade and environment issues in the forest and forest industries)

sector which took place at the UN/ECE Timber Committee, 1999)

I. Statistics

2.1 Seminar on Integrated Statistical Information Systems