

*United States Government*  
*2003 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)*  
**COMESA SECRETARIAT**

Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY 03 Total
<b>African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) Linkages in COMESA</b>  <b>TA for Common Market for East and Southern Africa (COMESA)</b>	This activity is designed to promote the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) in the member states of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) that are AGOA eligible and facilitate trade between the US and Africa. These countries are currently: Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Rwanda, Seychelles, Swaziland, Uganda and Zambia. This project will focus on fast-tracking export activities in order to take immediate advantage of AGOA in COMESA member states. It will also disseminate information on AGOA and how to access the U.S. market. Funded and implemented by USAID/REDSO.	Export Promotion	175,000
		Business Services & Training	175,000
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>350,000</b>
	The Common Market for East and Southern Africa (COMESA) was established in 1994 and includes 20 member countries. COMESA envisions achieving economic integration in East and Southern Africa. Its strategy is based on regional cooperation, including peace and security, in core areas of trade, investment, infrastructure and science and technology development. REDSO's partnership with COMESA includes technical assistance in the areas of regional telecommunication harmonization, COMESA Free Trade Area strengthening, gender policy implementation, organizational development, regional customs bond scheme implementation, fresh produce exportation, and conflict prevention. REDSO has funded several activities via the COMESA Limited Scope Grant Agreement (LSGA) to assist COMESA and its member states to prepare for WTO negotiations. Funded and implemented by USAID/REDSO.	WTO Awareness	200,000
		Export Promotion	400,000
		Regional Trade Agreements (RTA)	1,200,000
		Other Services Development	200,000
	<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>	
<b>Total FY 03 USG Trade Capacity Building to COMESA Secretariat</b>			<b>2,350,000</b>