

*United States Government*  
*2005 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)*  
**MOROCCO**

Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY 05 Total
<b>Education For a Better Future: Work Force Development</b>	The purpose of this program is to assist the Government of Morocco (GOM) to improve the quality of its workforce and the relevance of worker skills to the growing and changing demands of business and industry. USAID will assist training institutions and technical high schools in three regions in order to provide computer training and other skills in demand by the private sector. In addition, the project will improve job placement mechanisms and will establish a roster of private sector partners for student internships and job placements. This activity is in support of the US-Morocco FTA. Funded and implemented by USAID/Morocco.	E-Commerce & IT	3,060,000
		Business Services & Training	3,825,000
		Human Resources & Labor Standards	765,000
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>7,650,000</b>
<b>Free Trade Agreement Support</b>	As part of its economic growth strategy, USAID assists Morocco in successfully responding to the challenges and opportunities of the more liberalized trading environment that will be brought about by the Free Trade Agreements (FTA) with the United States, the Association Agreement with the European Union, other FTAs, the World Trade Organization (WTO) Doha Development Round, and Moroccan reform efforts. Results include: (1) increased productivity in agriculture and agribusiness, (2) creation of new business opportunities outside of agriculture and agribusiness, and (3) improved business environment. Funding reported here is part of the \$7.2 million activity and the remainder of the funds are implemented by the Environmental Protection Agency. This activity is in support of the US-Morocco FTA. Funded and implemented by USAID/Morocco.	Agreements on Trade in Goods	358,975
		Agreement on Agriculture	358,975
		Agreement on SPS	358,975
		Agreement on Rules of Origin	358,975
		Agreement on TRIPs	358,975
		Agreement on Disputes Settlement	358,975
		Customs Operation & Administration	358,975
		E-Commerce & IT	717,950
		Export Promotion	717,950
		Business Services & Training	717,950
		Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	717,950
		Competition Policy & Foreign Investment	358,975
		Trade-Related Agriculture	717,950
		Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	717,950
<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>7,179,500</b>		
<b>Management of Technology, Intellectual Capital, and Equity Financing - Morocco</b>	The Department of Commerce Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP) is providing assistance for the development of stakeholders and advisors in Morocco in support of equity finance, management of technology, venture capital, and the management of intellectual capital for small and medium enterprises (SMEs). Funded by Department of State and implemented by Department of Commerce/CLDP.	Agreement on TRIPs	<b>445,450</b>

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<b>Free Trade Agreement Support Implemented by U.S. EPA</b>	Free Trade Agreement Support is provided for building the environmental impact assessment (EIA) capacity, pursuant to the environmental cooperation agreement negotiated with Morocco. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is providing training and technical assistance to strengthen Moroccan EIA skills and review practices to (1) enhance transparency and effectiveness of decision making, (2) identify and avoid or mitigate adverse environmental impacts, (3) consider alternatives, (4) involve the public, and (5) improve follow up monitoring and compliance with conditions for approval. The program includes delivery of EPA training course and training of trainers within the country to further develop capacity in the areas of the Principles of Environmental Impact Assessment. Funding reported here is part of a \$7.2 million activity funded by the USAID Mission in Morocco. The remainder of those funds are reported in a separate activity and are implemented by the USAID Mission. This activity is in support of the US-Morocco FTA. Funded by USAID/Morocco and implemented by Environmental Protection Agency.	Environmental Trade & Standards	8,200
		Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	12,300
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>20,500</b>
<b>Morocco US Free Trade Agreement</b>	The contribution by the US Trade and Development Agency of \$115,000 will allow the contractor to organize and execute an Orientation Visit to bring senior-level government officials from Morocco to the United States for three industry-specific seminars to present trade opportunities within the Moroccan business environment to U.S. industry representatives. The Orientation Visit directly supports the goals of the recently signed Morocco-US Free Trade Agreement. This activity is in support of the US-Morocco FTA. Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency.	Export Promotion	57,500
		Regional Trade Agreements (RTA)	57,500
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>115,000</b>
<b>Port Security and Supply Chain Management - Tangier Port Security</b>	The U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) is providing a \$374,000 grant to the Tangier-Mediterranean Special Agency (TMSA), a private company operating under an agreement with the Government of Morocco, to implement, coordinate and manage the Tangier Mediterranean Project (Tangier-Med). Tangier-Med is a new port complex around the city of Tangier, in northern Morocco, that consists of a deep-sea harbor and logistic necessities, including container and cargo terminals, and industrial, commercial, and tourism zones. The grant will fund the cost of technical assistance (TA) in port security and safety related to International Ship and Port Facility Security Code, Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism and Container Security Initiative compliance for Tangier-Med. The TA will also assist TMSA in developing tender documents for the procurement of safety and security equipment and services. Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency.	Other Trade Facilitation	<b>374,000</b>
<b>Total FY 05 USG Trade Capacity Building Assistance to Morocco</b>			<b>15,784,450</b>