

United States Government
2006 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)
WESTERN AFRICA NS

			FY06 Total
Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	
APHIS Plant Health Advisor Posted at Trade Hub - Western Africa	This activity supports the placement of a plant health systems advisor from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), an office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, at a trade hub in western Africa to assist countries in conducting phytosanitary capacity development for plant products potentially destined for U.S. markets, including assisting with pest risk assessments. Funded by USAID/AFR and implemented by Department of Agriculture/FAS.	Trade-Related Agriculture	207,054
		Activity Total	207,054
Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) - Customs Union and Common External Tariff	This project will follow-on to the successful ECOTrade project that provides capacity building to the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) to fully implement a common external tariff and customs union. Funded and implemented by USAID/WARP.	Regional Trade Agreements (RTA)	450,000
		Activity Total	450,000
Market Information System and Trader Organizations in West Africa - MISTOWA	The purpose of the Regional Market Information System project is to educate West African traders, producers and consumers about agricultural markets. Lack of understanding of agricultural markets is a significant barrier to trade. A better understanding of markets will lead to informed decision making, resulting in higher profits for producers and traders as well as lower prices for consumers. The end goal of this activity is increased trade in agricultural products and trade based food security by providing commercially relevant and timely information to those involved in cross-border trade. Funded and implemented by USAID/WARP.	Trade-Related Agriculture	1,222,354
		E-Commerce & IT	814,903
		Activity Total	2,037,257

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Mission Support Costs to Trade Capacity Building	This activity provides appropriate supervision and technical assistance and support to trade capacity building activities in West Africa. Funded and implemented by USAID/WARP.	Other Services Development	58,836
		Trade-Related Agriculture	158,858
		Physical Infrastructure Development	17,651
		Other Trade Facilitation	111,789
		Business Services & Training	58,836
		Export Promotion	52,953
		E-Commerce & IT	105,905
		Agreement on SPS	11,767
		WTO Awareness	11,767
		Activity Total	588,362
Regional Telecom	This activity will leverage existing efforts to enhance the development of the telecommunications industry in West Africa while adopting a regional approach that engages the private sector. This activity will provide technical assistance to The Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU), other regional organizations, and the private sector. The activity will address regulatory, legal and other issues in order to improve industry performance. The result of this activity will be an improved environment for telecommunications service providers, increased investment in telecommunications assets, and increased diversity and penetration of telecommunications services. Funded and implemented by USAID/WARP.	E-Commerce & IT	100,000
		Activity Total	100,000

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West Africa Trade Hub	The West Africa Trade Hub in Accra, Ghana opened in 2003 with a second hub in Dakar, Senegal opening in 2005. The objective of the Trade Hubs is to encourage West African businesses to take advantage of the Africa Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA), and to develop capacity for better engagement in the multilateral trading system. The Hub activities support four key areas: trade capacity building, AGOA export development, AGOA support services and information dissemination. Funded and implemented by USAID/WARP.	Other Trade Facilitation	3,202,923
		Business Services & Training	1,423,521
		Export Promotion	1,423,521
		Customs Operation & Administration	711,761
		WTO Awareness	355,880
		Activity Total	7,117,606
West African Gas Pipeline	The West African Pipeline is a project to construct a 630 kilometer pipeline that will deliver the methane component of Nigerian gas to Ghana, Togo and Benin. The pipeline will allow countries access to cleaner and cheaper gas, facilitating economic growth through access to more energy. USAID/Washington contributes to this effort by providing technical assistance to the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), other participating states, and the private developer consortium. Funded and implemented by USAID/WARP.	Physical Infrastructure Development	1,093,004
		Activity Total	1,093,004
West African Power Pool	The purpose of the power pool is to provide a reliable and competitively priced supply of energy in the region, promote energy trade, and promote investment in the sector. This activity supports the Economic Community of West African States to address the legal, fiscal, administrative, management and technical issues necessary for the creation and development of the power pools. Funded and implemented by USAID/WARP.	Physical Infrastructure Development	760,576
		Activity Total	760,576

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