

Chapter 16: Trade-Related Cooperation – Text of the 2023 Canada – Ukraine Free Trade Agreement

Article 16.1: Trade-Related Cooperation

1. Recognizing that trade-related cooperation is a catalyst for the reforms and investments necessary to foster trade-driven economic growth and adjustment to liberalized trade, the Parties undertake to promote trade-related cooperation, with the following objectives:

- (a) to strengthen the capacities of the Parties to maximize the opportunities and benefits deriving from this Agreement;*
- (b) to strengthen and develop cooperation at a bilateral, regional or multilateral level;*
- (c) to foster new trade and investment opportunities in areas of mutual interest such as those relating to science, technology and innovation; and*
- (d) to promote sustainable economic development, with an emphasis on small and medium-sized enterprises.*

2. Trade-related cooperation may include:

- (a) exchange of information, transfer and exchange of expertise and training, such as facilitating exchange visits of researchers, experts, specialists and private sector representatives;
- (b) joint activities such as joint studies and joint research concerning issues relating to this Agreement;
- (c) transfer of technology, skills and practices;
- (d) institutional assistance and capacity-building such as through training seminars, workshops, conferences and internships;
- (e) participation in international activities; and
- (f) any other means of cooperation as jointly decided by the Parties.

3. Trade-related cooperation may build on previous cooperation activities, and may include the subject matters set out in the indicative list in Annex 16-A.

4. The provisions of this Chapter are cooperative and are not subject to dispute settlement under Chapter 28 (Dispute Settlement).

Article 16.2: Contact Points

1. Each Party designates a Contact Point to facilitate communication concerning the implementation of this Chapter.

2. The Contact Points may jointly work to establish guidelines for conducting their work and coordinate with other contact points and committees established or continued under this Agreement, as required, on trade-related cooperation pursuant to the objectives of this Chapter.

3. The Contact Points may communicate by electronic, video-conference, or any other means decided by the Parties.

4. The Contact Points are:

- (a) For Ukraine:

Director, Department of Trade Agreements and Export
Development,

Ministry of Economy of Ukraine (or successor)

12/2 M. Hrushevskoho Street, Kyiv, 01008, Ukraine

- (b) For Canada:

Director, Head of Development Cooperation

Kyiv, Ukraine

Embassy of Canada to Ukraine

Government of Canada

Annex 16-A: Indicative List of Potential Subject Matters for Trade-Related Cooperation

- 1. Support for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)*
- 2. Agriculture*
- 3. Standard-setting*