

Ref: LBN.12.08	Project title		Needs Assessment of Trade and Trade-related Assistance for Lebanon					
Organisation	Country	Overall project value (EUR)	Proportion carried out by candidate (%)	N° of staff provided	Name of client	Origin of funding	Dates (start/end)	Name of partners if any
RONGEAD	Lebanon	135 000	0	1	DMI Associates	European Commission	December 2008 – February 2009	
Detailed description of project						Type of services provided		
<p>Objectives : The overall objectives of the Trade Needs Assessment (TNA) are to assist Lebanon :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to mainstream trade matters in its development policy and strategy • to benefit more from trade • to participate more effectively in the multilateral and regional trading system • to facilitate donor co-ordination and catalyse additional funding in the trade area <p>The specific objectives of the TNA are :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to summarise and analyse the main constraints for Lebanon to benefit from trade • to comprehensively articulate its needs in the area of TRA to facilitate more systematic engagement of different stakeholders • to outline a prioritised action plan towards removing the constraints • to identify appropriate linkages to agricultural development • to identify specific actions to be part of a trade-related assistance programme, by assisting the government incorporation of poverty and gender issues in TRA and its action plans. • to increase awareness and understanding in the area of TRA through broad consultations throughout the assignment <p>Beneficiaries : The government of Lebanon particularly those bodies involved in trade policy making and implementation, non-state actors involved in trade matters and the international or bilateral development agencies involved in trade related assistance.</p> <p>Outputs :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The identification of all the constraints that Lebanon is facing in participating in the world trading system. • A proposed strategy to overcome these constraints, taking into account that its objectives and results must have an orientation to Development, i. e, aligned with Lebanese poverty reduction measures. • A set of recommendations on how to integrate poverty reduction measures into a national development strategy. 						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missions on the field • Recommendations and report 		