

ARTNeT Phase II Proposal Overview

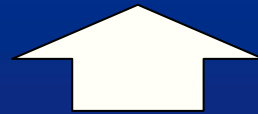


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From Phase I to Phase II

T&I-related policies are increasingly designed based on locally and regionally generated trade and investment policy research and analysis in participating developing countries



Increased quantity, quality, relevance and dissemination of trade and investment -related research for policy makers



ARTNET Research Programme

- Team-based research
- Trade issues of interest to the region
- Short-term and long-term research



Research Dissemination

- ARTNET website
- Newsletters and Policy Briefs
- Annual Meeting of Researchers and Policy makers



Research Capacity Building

- Technical Workshop on Trade Research for LDC
- Visiting fellowships for LDC researchers
- Technical Advisors

From ARTNeT Phase I to II

- No major changes in strategy and activities
- Focus will be on improving quality of key research outputs and enhancing effectiveness of dissemination, in particular through involving private sector and civil society stakeholders



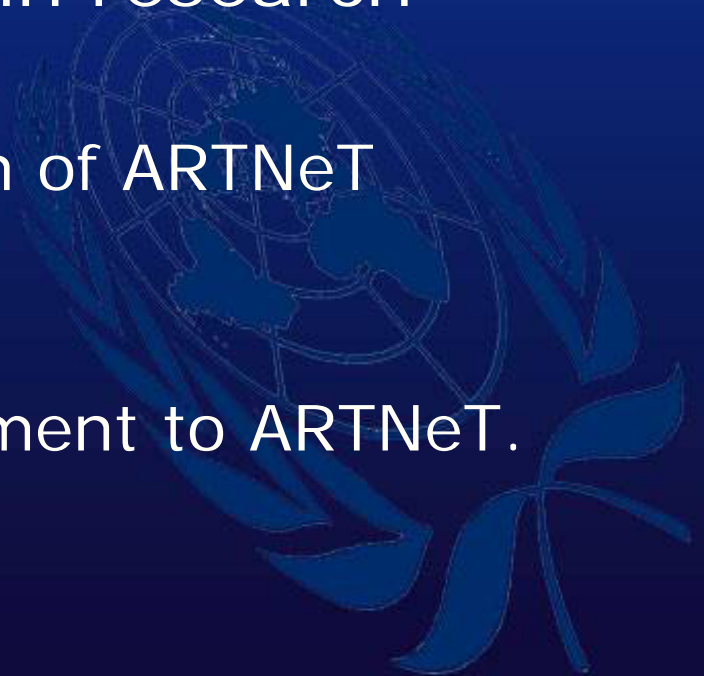
ARTNeT Phase II - Vision

“to develop into a regional multi-stakeholder multi-donor collaborative platform for capacity building and delivery of “homegrown” research on trade and investment policy for development”

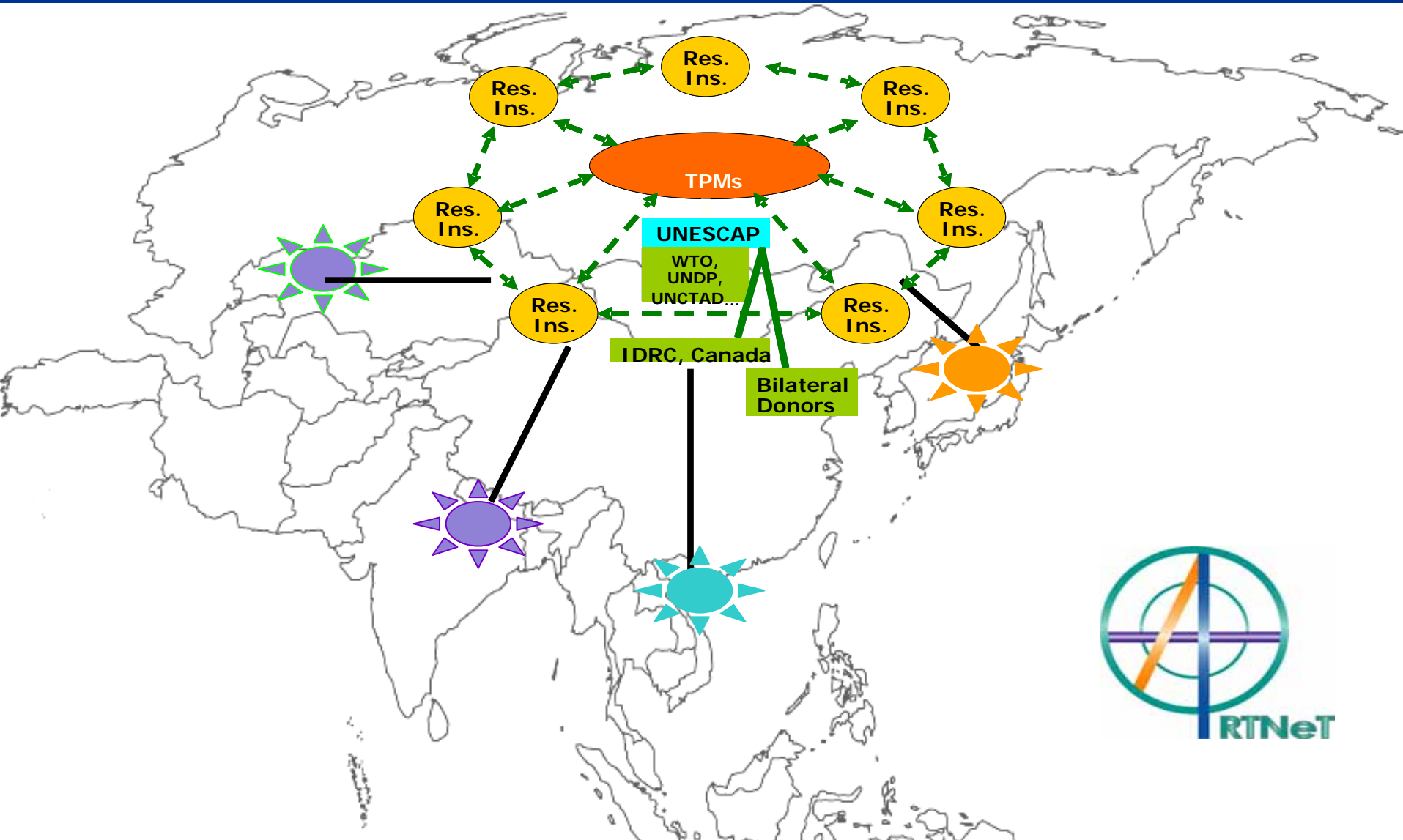


ARTNeT: 2020

- ARTNeT as the leading regional platform for “homegrown” trade & investment policy research/analysis and related TA/CB
- Creation of ARTNeT cells in research institutions in the region
 - Strengthen implementation of ARTNeT activities at “home”,
 - Facilitate fund raising, and
 - Sustain members’ commitment to ARTNeT.



ARTNeT anchored by Regional Knowledge Hubs




ARTNeT Phase II – Overall Framework

	South Asia			East and South-East Asia			South Pacific			Central Asia		
Secretariat	R*	D*	CB*	R	D	CB	R	D	CB	R	D	CB
ESCAP	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Core Partners	R	D	CB	R	D	CB	R	D	CB	R	D	CB
IDRC	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX	X	X	X			
WTO	X		X	X		X	X		X			
UNDP RCC	X	X		X	X		X	X				
UNCTAD			X			X			X			
Partners / Linked projects	R	D	CB	R	D	CB	R	D	CB	R	D	CB
French Gov.				X	X	XX						
Macao Gov.		X			X							
Swiss Dev. Coop.				XX		X						
Potential Core Partners/ Partners**	R	D	CB	R	D	CB	R	D	CB	R	D	CB
AusAID				X		X	X	X	X			
Russian Federation		X				X				X	X	X
ADB/ADBI		X	X		X	X		X	X			
Others												

*R: research programme implementation; D: dissemination of member findings and results; CB: research capacity building;

**These shows potential partners, among others, whose programmes are clearly linked to the objectives of ARTNeT, or who have shown interest in ARTNeT activities as of the development of this proposal.

Phase II Proposal Highlights

- Network Structure
 - Members, Core Partners, *Partners*, Associate Partners
 - Institutional Advisory Board (IAB)
 - Composition revised based on members' contribution to the network
 - Creation of an ARTNeT Steering Committee
 - 4 rotating IAB members, 4 invited government experts, 1 advocacy/media org., 1 private sector
 - Will approve revisions to research programme
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Phase II Proposal Highlights

- Research Programme [focus]
 - Trade, Investment and Policy Coherence
 - Emphasis on policy linkages and finding out what environment / linked policies are needed to ensure trade and investment reforms lead to inclusive growth and development
 - Trade Facilitation and Trade in TF-related services
 - Multilateral Trade Negotiations and Regional Integration



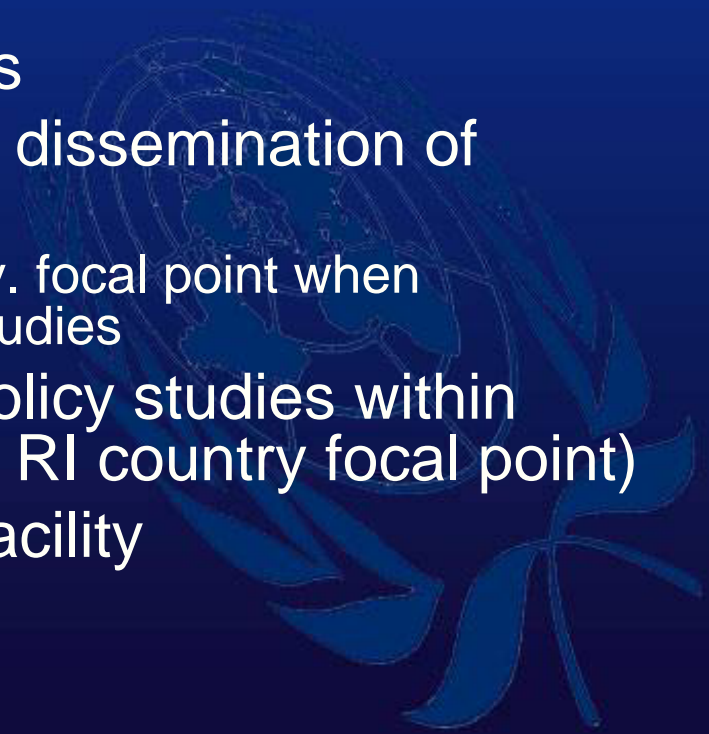
Phase II Proposal Highlights

- Research Programme [structure]
 - More Thematic Regional Studies
 - More directed approach (Appointed *Lead Advisors* to the Secretariat will be responsible for developing scope & methodology and assembling teams)
 - Better funding & more time for implementation (> 12 month)
 - Short-term (Individual) Studies
 - Competitive call for proposals
 - Linked with LDC fellowships
 - Emphasis on capacity building
 - Note: Research programme will evolve based on annual research priority surveys, ARTNeT resources and geographic coverage



Phase II Proposal Highlights

- Dissemination
 - All consultative meetings will be thematic (no annual general review meetings)
 - Meetings will be scheduled based on progress of the research
 - More emphasis on policy briefs
 - More systematic national level dissemination of research results in LDCs
 - Systematic consultation with Gov. focal point when conducting national-level case studies
 - Searchable database of T&I policy studies within LDCs (in cooperation with one RI country focal point)
 - On-demand literature review facility



Phase II Proposal Highlights

- T&I Policy Research Capacity Building
 - Workshops on trade research methods
 - Annual sequence of two workshops
 - 1st workshop as in Phase I
 - 2nd mini-workshop for participants in 1st workshop who have prepared draft papers applying the tools/methods learned
 - More established researchers and institutions to be resource persons/organizations
 - Hosted by members
 - Learning by doing
 - Through short-term studies and fellowships
 - Through promoting the inclusion of junior researchers in national research teams
 - Workshops for Gov. officials managing/sub-contracting research studies/projects (Subject to additional funds being available)
 - ARTNeT Cells (Feasibility study)

