BACKGROUNDER

Canada's International Trade Business Plan is made up of three components: a Strategic Overview, as series of industry sector strategies, and an accompanying series of international activities lists.

The three main objectives of the plan are threefold:

- to strengthen the link between global opportunities and the supply of capabilities of Canadian industry;
- to bring greater coordination to federal (and increasingly provincial) international business development strategies, priorities and activities to ensure that public resources are utilized as efficiently as possible; and
- to ensure that federal international business development strategies and activities reflect the real needs of Canadian industry.

Available industry sector strategies (and activities) include:

- 1. Advanced Manufacturing Technologies
- 2. Aeronautics
- 3. Agri-Food Products
- 4. Arts and Cultural Industries
- 5. Automotive
- 6. Biotechnologies
- 7. Business and Professional Services
- 8. Chemicals and Plastics
 - Chemicals and Petrochemicals
 - Plastics and Polymer Products
- 9. Consumer Products
 - Apparel Industry
 - Business and Institutional Footwear
 - Footwear
 - Hardware and Housewares
 - Household Furniture
 - Sporting Goods (including recreational watercraft)
 - Textiles
- 10. Defence and Related Products
 - Aviation, Marine and Defence Electronics
 - Marine and Land Defense Systems

- 11. Electrical and Energy Equipment
 - Electrical Equipment
 - Oil and Gas Field Equipment
- 12. Environmental Industries
- 13. Fish and Seafood Products
- 14. Forest Industries
- 15. Industrial Technologies
 - Agricultural Technology, Machinery and Equipment
 - Mining Forestry Pulp and Paper
 - Ocean and Marine Shipboard Technology
- 16. Information Technologies
- 17. Medical and Health-care Products
- 18. Minerals, Metals, Advanced Materials and Construction Products
- 19. Space
- 20. Tourism
- 21. Urban Transit and Rail

For information on how to receive additional copies of the Strategic Overview, or copies of industry sector strategies and international lists, please call: 1-800-267-8376.