

In addition to its capital subscriptions in support of development banks' investment programs, Canada is participating in multilateral economic and technical assistance programs by financing projects and activities and providing Canadian expertise. The following Canadian trust funds have been established:

- The Canadian Technical Co-operation Fund at the EBRD allows the bank to hire Canadian consultants to work on bank projects; \$2.4 million has been contributed to the fund since its creation in December 1991.
- The Canadian Technical Co-operation Fund at the IBRD was established to allow the bank to hire Canadian consultants for short-term assignments related to bank projects. A total of \$3.4 million has been contributed to the fund.
- A separate \$1-million oil and gas facility with the IBRD supports Canadian participation in the oil and gas sector in the former Soviet Union.
- Contributions totalling more than \$1 million have been made to support activities of the OECD's Centre for Co-operation with Economies in Transition since January 1992.

Trade Financing

Through the Export Development Corporation (EDC) and the Canadian Wheat Board (CWB), Canada has extended lines of credit and other types of trade financing to the countries of Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union to purchase a variety of goods and services. Canada has guaranteed balance-of-payments loans as part of a G-24 initiative.

Russia

- CWB US\$1.5 billion line of credit.
- EDC \$150 million line of credit to buy food other than wheat.
- EDC \$100 million line of credit to buy Canadian goods and services.
- EDC \$30 million line of credit to buy medical, health and educational equipment and services for children and young people.

Ukraine

- EDC \$50 million line of credit.

Kazakhstan

- EDC \$20 million in trade financing.