شانزدهمین "نمایشگاه تجارت سازمان همکاری اسلامی" به میزبانی کشور عراق در بغداد 
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42- **Requests** the ICDT, COMCEC Coordination Office, IDB and other relevant OIC Institutions to continue organizing awareness-raising and capacity-building activities with regard to the TPS-OIC.

**ii) Islamic Trade Fairs**

43- **Expresses** its thanks and appreciation to the following Member States for hosting Islamic Trade Fairs and Exhibitions in cooperation with ICDT:

- The Republic of Turkey for hosting and ICDT and SMIC for organizing the “5th OIC Halal Expo” in Istanbul on 23-25 November 2017,
- The State of Kuwait for hosting and ICDT for organizing the “Exceptional Edition of the Trade Fair of the OIC Member States” in Kuwait-City, on 6-10 February 2018,
- The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for hosting and ICDT for organizing the “2nd Edition of the Exhibition of Furniture and Interior Design of the OIC Member States” on 13-16 March 2018 and the “11th Exhibition of Agribusiness Industries of the OIC Member States” on 20-23 March 2018 in Jeddah,
- The Kingdom of Morocco for hosting and ICDT for organizing the “4th Higher Education Services among the OIC Member States” in Casablanca on 26-29 April 2018.

44- **Welcomes** the offer of the following Member States to host Islamic Trade Fairs and Exhibitions in cooperation with ICDT in 2018-2019 and requests all Member States to encourage active participation of their private sector and relevant institutions in these events:

- The Republic of Turkey to host the “6th OIC Halal Expo” in Istanbul on 29 November-2 December 2018 and the “7th OIC Halal Expo” on 28 November-1 December 2019 in coordination with SMIC,
- The Republic of Cote d’Ivoire to host the “4th OIC Health Expo” in Abidjan in on 7-9 December 2018 and “the Forum and Expo on Social and Solidarity Economy” in collaboration with IDB Group in Abidjan in the first quarter of 2019,
- The State of Kuwait to host “Exceptional Edition of the Tourism and Handicraft Exhibition of the OIC Member States” on 5-8 March 2019 and “Construction and Decoration Fair for the OIC Member States” on 8-12 October 2019 in Kuwait City,
- The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to host the “12th Exhibition of Agribusiness Industries of the OIC Member States” in Jeddah from 26 to 29 March 2019,
- The Republic of Iraq to host the “16th OIC Trade Fair” in Baghdad on 7-13 April 2019;
- The Kingdom of Morocco to host the Expo and Forum on Transportation and Logistics of the OIC Member States concomitantly with LogisMed 2019 in Casablanca on 9-11 April 2019;
- The People’s Republic of Bangladesh to host Maritime Economy and the Shipbuilding and Fisheries Expo of the OIC Member States in Dhaka on 1-4 May 2019;
- The Islamic Republic of Iran to host the “3rd Tourism Fair of the OIC Member States” in Tehran in 2019;
- The United Arab Emirates to host World Expo “EXPO 2020 Dubai” in Dubai from November 2020 to April 2021.

45- **Takes note that** the offer of the Islamic Republic of Iran will organize 12th International Exhibition of Tourism and Related Industries” and “Halal Orientation, the New Global Trend” Conference concurrently on 12-15 February, 2019, in Tehran and “The 1st Halal Expo of Iran” in November 2019 and **requests** the Member States to actively participate in these events.

46- **Reiterates** its request to the Member States to encourage their private sector to actively participate in the Islamic Trade Fairs.

47- **Also reiterates** its request to ICDT to continue holding sector specific fairs in cooperation with the Member States and submit regular progress reports on the fairs to the COMCEC Sessions.

**iii) WTO Related Technical Assistance**

48- **Expresses** its thanks and appreciation to the IDB Group and ICDT for organizing WTO-related training courses and seminars for the benefit of the Member States and underlines the need for more effectively disseminating information on training courses among all Member States.

49- **Calls on** IDB and ICDT to continue providing technical assistance to the Member States on WTO-related issues and to enhance their efforts in sensitizing the Member States to the impact of WTO trade negotiations on their economies and **requests** IDB and ICDT to synergize and coordinate their efforts to strengthen the human and institutional capacities
In pursuance of the resolutions of the 31st Ministerial Session of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (COMCEC), held from 23 to 26 November 2015 in Istanbul-Republic of Turkey, which welcomed the offer of the Republic of Iraq to host the 16th edition of the Trade Fair of the OIC Member States in 2017, the Ministry of Trade of the Republic of Iraq and the Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT) organize under the patronage of the Head of the Iraqi Government, and in collaboration with the State Company for Iraqi Fairs and Commercial Services, the 16th edition of the Trade Fair of the OIC Member States, to be held from 07 to 13 April 2019 at the Baghdad International Fairgrounds - Republic of Iraq.

Due to the low participation rate of Member States in this Fair, it was decided to postpone its organization to 2019. In this context and in accordance with the calendar of the Trade Fair of the OIC Member States, it is the Republic of Guinea which should host the Fair in 2019.

In this respect and with reference to the Note Verbal from H.E the Minister of Commerce of the Republic of Guinea dated 11 October 2017, the Republic of Guinea withdrew in favor of the Republic of Iraq for the organization of the 16th Trade Fair of the OIC Member States in 2019, while maintaining its right to organize the 2020 or 2021 edition.

In this context, a coordination meeting was held between ICDT and the State Company for Iraqi Fairs and Commercial Services on 23 and 24 April 2018 at the headquarters of ICDT in Casablanca, in order to discuss the new date for the holding of the Fair, which was set from 7 to 13 April 2019 at the Baghdad International Fairgrounds - Republic of Iraq.

Another coordination meeting was held between the organizers on 28 November 2018 in Istanbul, on the sidelines of the 34th Ministerial Session of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC Member States (COMCEC), mainly devoted to the evaluation of the participation of the OIC Member States to the said fairs and activities to be organized on the sidelines.

The official launching of the Fair was organized in Baghdad on 11th November 2018.

The price per square meter of an Exhibition space has been set as follows:

- The square meter equipped (shell scheme): US$ 150
- The square meter not equipped (indoor bare space): US$ 100
- The bare square meter: US$ 60

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As part of their cooperation program, OIC International Business Center (OICBC) - Malaysia and ICDT have been organizing since 2013 the Muslim World BIZ Forum and Exhibition as well as the OIC/Asia Economic and Trade Forum, in order to promote trade between OIC Member States.

The objective of this event is on the one hand, to raise awareness among the economic operators on the business opportunities of the Muslim world and to present to the participants the different services and products offered to the business community, the OIC Institutions, and Regional and International Organizations.

This annual event brings together public authorities, decision makers, businessmen and private sector representatives from Muslim countries and discusses developments in key economic sectors such as Halal, Higher Education Services and Tourism.

This event includes the following activities:

- "MUSLIM World BIZ" Forum;
- OIC/Asia Economic and Trade Forum
- Round Table of Decision Makers and Businessmen of the Islamic World;
- Forums and Exhibition concerning the main economic sectors

It should be noted that, on the sidelines of these events, the "Jewels of the Muslim World Award" Ceremony will also be held and intended to pay tribute to the personalities who have contributed to the development and the well-being of the Islamic Ummah, as well as a mission of Saudi Businessmen date exporters in order to establish business relations with their Malaysian counterparts’ importers of dates.