

Workshop on "Developing digital trade in Africa"

Press Release

The Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Kingdom of Morocco and the Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT) organize a workshop on "Development of digital trade in Africa" for the benefit of African OIC member countries, from 8 to 10 January 2024 at the Marriott Hotel in Casablanca.

This workshop comes within the framework of the initiatives launched by the Kingdom of Morocco in connection with the African Union theme: "Accelerating the implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)".

This meeting is a follow-up to recent legal instruments introduced by the AfCFTA, such as the Digital Trade Protocol, which is currently being discussed by OIC member countries.

The proceedings of this meeting will address the opportunities and challenges of digital trade in Africa, in view of the growing importance of digital trade at international level.

The themes to be discussed include global and regional trends in digital trade, the state of negotiations at the World Trade Organisation and the AfCFTA, as well as the legal and regulatory challenges involved in online trade. This workshop will enable participants to better understand these issues by exchanging national and international experiences, particularly the Moroccan experience in the digital field.

It is worth highlighting that the member states of the AfCFTA are in the process of finalizing their negotiations on the African Continental Free Trade Area protocol on digital trade.