USTDA: Catalyzing Overseas Infrastructure

The U.S. Trade and Development Agency is the U.S. government's first mover on critical infrastructure development in emerging markets, advancing the shared strategic priorities of the United States and our overseas partners while creating opportunities to deploy trusted U.S. solutions. USTDA funds the upfront technical work that accelerates the development of infrastructure projects, helping them attract the financing they need for implementation and procurement of U.S. goods and services. USTDA also hosts activities that promote infrastructure partnerships with the United States.

RESULTS

4,000+
infrastructure activities supported worldwide

$134 billion
U.S. exports to infrastructure projects in emerging markets since 1992

$200+
U.S. exports for every dollar programmed

ACCELERATING PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Feasibility Studies

USTDA feasibility studies define U.S. technology and design options for infrastructure projects and provide the analysis that is needed for their financing and implementation. Carried out by U.S. companies, USTDA's studies create a pathway to deploy trusted American solutions to these projects.

Technical Assistance

USTDA technical assistance creates new pathways for exporting trusted U.S. solutions by supporting enabling environments for high-quality infrastructure development, increasing U.S. competitiveness in key markets.

Pilot Projects

USTDA pilot projects facilitate U.S. exports by demonstrating the effectiveness of American technology in emerging markets. By providing analysis and empirical data, pilot projects catalyze strategic infrastructure and identify ways to scale and replicate success.

Transaction Incentives

U.S. firms often face subsidized, state-sponsored foreign competition in strategically important international infrastructure deals. USTDA helps level this playing field for U.S. firms by offering emerging market decision-makers specialized training programs if they select trusted U.S. solutions.

Reverse Trade Missions

USTDA hosts reverse trade missions that bring decision-makers to the United States to observe the best of American infrastructure design, manufacturing and operations. These visits link U.S. industry to export opportunities that advance shared strategic infrastructure priorities in partner countries.

Industry Events

USTDA convenes industry leaders from the United States and emerging markets to build partnerships that promote trusted U.S. technology and financing solutions for emerging market infrastructure priorities.

PRIORITY INDUSTRIES

Critical Minerals

USTDA facilitates America's access to critical minerals that are vital to high-tech industries and national security. The Agency advances projects across the mining life cycle and the power and transportation infrastructure that expands access to these resources.

Digital Infrastructure

USTDA funds the development of digital infrastructure projects to which trusted and secure U.S. technologies can be deployed. This includes the underlying infrastructure that enables the proliferation of end-to-end American SI packages and applications for critical infrastructure sectors.

Energy

USTDA targets activities that advance the shared energy security priorities of the United States and its global partners, placing special emphasis on nuclear power projects and gas infrastructure that facilitates the procurement of American natural gas.

Transportation

USTDA prioritizes the development of overseas transportation, logistics and supply chain infrastructure projects that enhance shared safety and security priorities, access to critical minerals, and deployment of emerging technologies that can reshape the future of global transportation.

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