

AfCFTA

Export Guide

A Guide for Businesses in the services
export opportunities in the AfCFTA
market



Trade in Services?

Trade in Services refers to trade in the services economy. This includes the following sectors:

- Business services;
 - includes professional services such as accounting, legal, consulting etc.
- Communication services
- Construction services
- Distribution services
- Educational services
- Environmental services
- Energy -related services
- Financial services
- Tourism and Travel-related services
- Health and social services
- Recreational, cultural and sporting services
- Transport services

What is the AfCFTA?

The largest free trade area in the world, the AfCFTA comprises the 54 countries of the African Union (AU) and eight Regional Economic Communities (RECs).

The overall mandate of the AfCFTA is to create a single continental market with a population of about 1.3 billion people and a combined GDP of approximately US\$ 3.4 trillion.

The mandate of the AfCFTA includes removing trade barriers and increasing intra-Africa trade. The AfCFTA aims to help Africa develop regional value chains, allowing for investment and job creation.



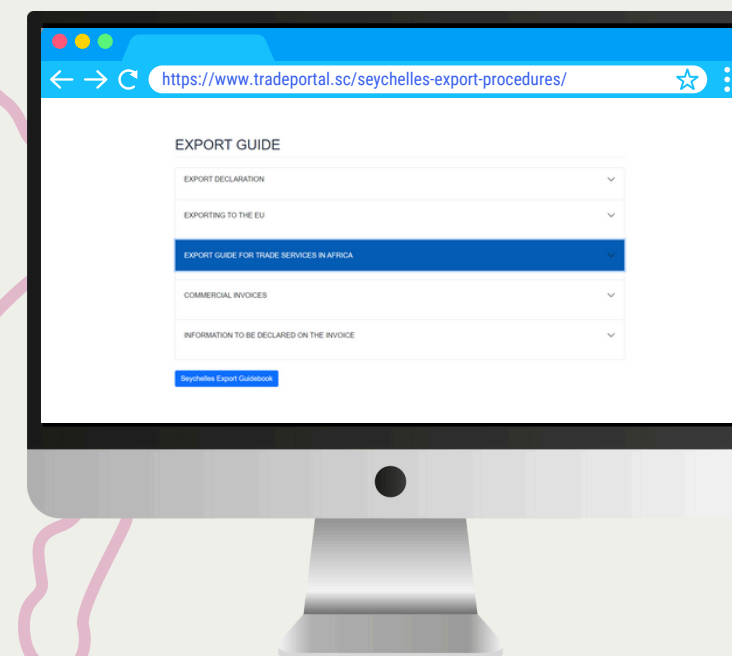


One of the specific objectives of the AfCFTA Agreement is the progressive liberalisation of services. In particular, it is to advance trade in value-added production across all service sectors of the African Economy. Through the protocol on Trade in Services, the AfCFTA envisions a liberalised African Services market which shall be achieved by gradually eliminating restrictions that are incompatible with the AfCFTA Agreement; including the AfCFTA Protocol on Trade in Services.

Why an Export Guide?

The AfCFTA Trade in Services Export Guide informs entrepreneurs on the service sectors in which there are opportunities to trade. In doing so, this export guide aims to encourage greater trade activity from Seychelles to the African continent.

An Export Guide also provides some of the foundational information required for a market analysis.



Where can I access the AfCFTA Trade in Services Export Guide?

You can easily access the AfCFTA Trade in Services Export Guide by accessing the Trade Portal website, or click [here](#) to get to the Guide directly!