

Treaty on a Free-Trade Area

On October 18, 2011, in Saint Petersburg, eight CIS countries (Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Armenia, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, and Tajikistan) signed the Treaty on a Free-Trade Area, which Uzbekistan joined under special conditions in December 2013. The document replaced the 1994 agreement and over one hundred previous arrangements.

The Treaty aims to establish a comprehensive free trade regime by eliminating restrictions and exemptions, particularly on the import of raw materials and the export of finished goods.

The signatories also agreed to pursue a coordinated policy on the use of energy resources and transport services, develop common markets for goods – primarily agricultural products – enhance transport cooperation including the formation of a network of international transport corridors within the CIS, and improve tariff policy efficiency by eliminating cross-border fiscal and administrative barriers at the national level.

[Полный текст Договора о Зоне свободной торговли \(на русском\)](#)

[Full text of the Treaty \(unofficial English translation\)](#)