

## Decision of the Sixth Plenary Session of the CICA Business Council

1. To take note of the reports of the members of the Business Council on renewable energy, food security and green finance in the CICA Member States.
2. To take note that the CICA Secretary General, as decided by the CICA Business Council Board, has requested the CICA Think Tank Forum to:
  - Conduct research on “National approaches and incentives used by the CICA Member States to support small and medium enterprises” and hold a related seminar in 2024 with the participation of members of the CICA Business Council;
  - Conduct research on “Involvement of women in small and medium enterprises in the CICA region with a focus on the challenges they face and the opportunities available to expand their participation and achieve success” and prepare a related progress report at the Seventh Plenary Session of the CICA Business Council in 2024.
3. To adopt the following agenda items of the Seventh Plenary Session of the CICA Business Council in 2024:
  - **Leveraging artificial intelligence for SME development**  
Discussion on the integration of artificial intelligence into small and medium enterprises (SMEs) to foster growth;
  - **Enhancing cross-border trade through e-commerce advancements**  
Exploring strategies to boost cross-border trade and foster growth opportunities in e-commerce;
  - **Navigating new challenges in logistics and infrastructure**  
Addressing emerging challenges in logistics and infrastructure and exploring innovative solutions;
  - **Empowering women in small and medium enterprises across the CICA region**  
Exploring challenges, opportunities, and pathways to enhance participation and success;
  - **Prioritizing sustainable development in SMEs**

Highlighting the significance of sustainable development within SMEs and exploring implementation approaches.

4. To determine the second half of 2024 as the approximate period for holding the Seventh Plenary Session of the CICA Business Council.