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INTRODUCTION TO
TRADE FINANCE

USER GUIDE

Introduction to Trade Finance



European Bank
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Training Overview

Introduction to Trade Finance

This online training represents 4 hours of online instruction and training in International Trade Finance.

The aim of the course is to provide an overview of International Trade Finance.

The course content was written by Vincent O' Brien, International Trade Specialist.

The course is delivered using a combination of audio, animation, graphics and text.

The course is divided into 6 Modules:

Module 1:
HOME
This module introduces:



Alex your professional guide to the course

Objectives of the course

An interactive animation introducing Trade Finance



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Module 2:

FINANCING INTERNATIONAL TRADE

This module covers the following in relation to International Trade:

The Role of Banks

Challenges in International Trade

Risks and Cost of International Trade

Trade Finance vs Local Financing





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For each Trade product it provides a definition of the product, identifies the parties involved, how the product works as well as the settlement and the benefits.

Module 3:

TRADE FINANCE PRODUCTS

This module takes a look at the following trade products and trade loans :

Documentary Collections

Documentary Credits

Guarantees/Standby letters of credit

Trade Loans



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Module 4:
INTERNATIONAL
TRADE DOCUMENTS

This module outlines the role of documents in International Trade and Finance:

The screenshot shows the 'Introduction to Trade Finance' page on the European Bank website. The main content area is titled 'International Trade Documents > Overview'. It features a cartoon character pointing to a text box that says: 'In this section we will outline the role of commercial and transport documents in facilitating international trade and finance. We will look at:'. Below this are three bullet points: 'The role of commercial and transport documents in international trade and finance.', 'The most commonly used commercial and transport documents', and 'Basic role of financial documents'. At the bottom of the page are three buttons: 'Background', 'Commercial Documents', and 'Transport Documents', each with a cartoon character icon.

Role of commercial & transport documents

Sample documents & definitions

How documents are used to control the goods



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Module 5:
TEST YOURSELF
This module contains:

An assessment where you can test your knowledge & understanding of what you have learnt in the course.

An interactive Case Study where you can advise an importer and exporter.





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The screenshot shows the website interface for the European Bank's Trade Facilitation Programme. The header includes the bank's logo and the text 'Introduction to Trade Finance'. A left-hand navigation menu lists: HOME, FINANCING INTERNATIONAL TRADE, TRADE FINANCE PRODUCTS, INTERNATIONAL TRADE DOCUMENTS, TEST YOURSELF, and RESOURCES. The main content area, titled 'Ressources', contains six PDF icons with red arrows pointing down, representing downloadable documents: FINANCING INTERNATIONAL TRADE, TRADE FINANCE PRODUCTS, INTERNATIONAL TRADE DOCUMENTS, DOCUMENTARY CREDIT APPLICATION FORM, DEMAND GUARANTEE APPLICATION FORM, and USER GUIDE. Language options 'EN | FR | RU' are visible in the top right of the resources section.

Module 6:
RESOURCES
This module contains:

PDFs of the course material that can be printed out for reading offline.





Browser requirements

The minimum browser requirements:

- Internet Explorer 8.0
- Firefox 16.0
- Google Chrome 27.0

Because the Introduction to Trade Finance course makes extensive use of graphics, animations, audio and interactive content, the following system requirements are necessary (these are standard on many systems):

- Flash Player 8 (free download at: <http://www.adobe.com/products/flashplayer/>)
- Supports JavaScript (i.e. JavaScript enabled)
- Supports Cookies (i.e. Cookies enabled)

A sound card is required to derive the full benefit from this course.

Support

The Coastline Solutions support team is here to help you if you experience any difficulty using this service.

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