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CURRENT FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS (FTAs)

Albania (signed in 2009)

10 December 1992	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
23 March 1993	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Tirana
9 December 1999	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
3 November 2005	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Tirana
22-23 May 2006	Seminar on customs matters in Tirana
12-14 May 2009	1 st round of negotiations in Tirana
25-26 June 2009	2 nd round and finalisation of negotiations in Geneva
17 December 2009	FTA signed in Geneva
1 November 2010	FTA enters into force with Liechtenstein and Switzerland
10-11 March 2011	Seminars on export promotion in Tirana and Shkodra
1 August 2011	FTA enters into force with Albania and Norway
1 October 2011	FTA enters into force with Iceland
5 February 2013	1 st Sub- and Joint Committee meeting in Tirana
18 September 2015	Protocol adding a chapter on trade and sustainable development to the Agreement signed in Geneva

Bosnia and Herzegovina (2013)

28-29 March 2011	1 st round of negotiations in Sarajevo
23-25 April 2011	2 nd round of negotiations in Sarajevo
20-22 September 2011	3 rd round of negotiations in Sarajevo
31 Jan-1 Feb 2012	Negotiating meetings in Sarajevo
13-14 September 2012	Meeting of spokespersons in Sarajevo
24 June 2013	FTA signed in Trondheim
1 January 2015	FTA enters into force for all Parties
17 and 19 Feb 2015	Seminars on trade promotion in Sarajevo and Banja Luka
7 July 2022	Protocol signed providing a dynamic link to PEM rules of origin

Canada (2008)

26-27 May 1998	1 st meeting in Reykjavik to explore the possibility of establishing a Canada-EFTA FTA
14-16 October 1998	1 st round of negotiations in Ottawa
23-24 November 1998	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
15-19 February 1999	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
12-16 April 1999	4 th round of negotiations in Ottawa
14-18 June 1999	5 th round of negotiations in Oslo
30 Sept – 1 Oct 1999	6 th round of negotiations in Geneva
15-19 November 1999	7 th round of negotiations in Geneva
8-10 February 2000	8 th round of negotiations in Ottawa

23-24 March 2000	9 th round of negotiations in Geneva
16-17 May 2000	10 th round of negotiations in Geneva
22-24 April 2002	Visit by EFTA Chair to Ottawa
22 September 2006	Meeting of heads of delegation
1-3 November 2006	Meeting of heads of Delegation and customs and agricultural experts in Ottawa
15-18 January 2007	11 th round of negotiations in Geneva
7 June 2007	Announcement of the conclusion of negotiations
26 January 2008	FTA signed in Davos
1 July 2009	FTA enters into force
16-17 November 2010	1 st meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva and by teleconference
8-10 May 2012	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Ottawa
16 November 2012	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Geneva
5-6 May 2014	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Reykjavik
29-30 October 2014	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
11 February 2015	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
19 November 2015	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Geneva
8 December 2016	Meeting with Deputy Minister of Trade in Geneva
26-27 April 2016	1 st Exploratory meeting in Geneva
15 February 2017	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Geneva
5-6 June 2018	Heads and experts meeting (Services, Investment and Agriculture) in Ottawa
13 February 2020	Heads meeting in Ottawa

Central America (2013)

20 July 2010	Joint Declaration on Cooperation with Panama signed in Geneva
23 March 2011	Joint Committee exploratory meeting with Central American countries in Panama City
17 December 2011	Informal meeting of Ministers in Geneva
28 Feb-1 March 2012	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
4-7 June 2012	2 nd round of negotiations in Panama City
20-14 August 2012	3 rd round of negotiations in San José
29 Oct–2 Nov 2012	4 th round of negotiations in Geneva
10-14 December 2012	5 th round of negotiations in Guatemala City
12-15 February 2013	6 th round of negotiations in Geneva
13 March 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
24 June 2013	FTA signed with Panama and Costa Rica in Trondheim
14 August 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation and Guatemala by teleconference
19 August 2014	FTA enters into force for Norway
29 August 2014	FTA enters into force for Liechtenstein and Switzerland
5 September 2014	FTA enters into force for Iceland
14-15 October 2014	Concluding round with Guatemala in Guatemala City

22 June 2015	Protocol on accession of Guatemala to FTA with Central American States signed in Schaan
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Colombia (2008)

17 May 2006	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Bern
5-6 October 2006	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Bogotá
21 March 2007	Seminar on rules of origin in Bogotá
4-8 June 2007	1 st round of negotiations in Bogotá
27-31 August 2007	2 nd round of negotiations in Lima
24-25 September 2007	Seminar on export promotion in Bogotá
28 October-3 Nov 2007	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
1-6 April 2008	4 th round of negotiations in Bogotá
9-12 June 2008	5 th round and finalisation of negotiations in Crans Montana
25 November 2008	FTA signed in Geneva
1 July 2011	FTA enters into force for Liechtenstein and Switzerland
1 September 2014	FTA enters into force for Norway
1 October 2014	FTA enters into force for Iceland
6-7 November 2014	1 st Sub- and Joint Committee meeting in Bogotá
1-2 December 2016	2 nd Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Geneva
4-5 December 2017	Seminar on trade promotion and 3 rd Sub-Committee meeting in Bogotá
29-30 October 2019	4 th Sub- and 3 rd Joint Committee meetings in Bogotá

Ecuador (2018)

27 October 2014	Visit of Minister of Foreign Trade to the EFTA Secretary-General in Geneva
8 December 2014	Visit of Minister of Foreign Trade to the EFTA Secretary-General in Geneva
6 May 2015	Visit of Minister of Foreign Trade to the EFTA Secretary-General in Geneva
21 May 2015	Meeting of heads of Delegation by VC
22 June 2015	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Schaan
27 June 2016	Negotiations launched in Bern
28 October 2016	Meeting of heads of Delegation by VC
14-17 November 2016	1 st round of negotiations in Quito
27 Feb-3 March 2017	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
3-6 July 2017	3 rd round of negotiations in Guayaquil
27 September 2017	Visit of the Minister of Foreign Trade to the EFTA Secretary-General in Geneva
9-13 October 2017	4 th round of negotiations in Geneva
11-15 December 2017	5 th round of negotiations in Geneva
20-21 February 2018	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Quito

25 June 2018	Free Trade Agreement signed in Sauðárkrúkur
1 November 2020	FTA entered into force
24 November 2020	Trade Promotion webinar, VC
13-14 December 2021	1st Sub-Committee on Trade in Goods and Joint Committee meetings, VC

Egypt (2007)

8 December 1995	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Zermatt
15 April 1996	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
30 November 1998	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Leukerbad. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
2 December 1998	1 st meeting of the Joint Sub-Committee
22-23 February 2000	2 nd round of negotiations in Cairo
1-2 March 2001	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
3-6 February 2003	4 th round of negotiations in Cairo
2-6 June 2003	5 th round of negotiations in Geneva
19-22 January 2004	6 th round of negotiations in Cairo
5-10 July 2004	7 th round of negotiations in Geneva
22-25 November 2004	8 th round of negotiations in Cairo
15-16 June 2006	9 th round of negotiations in Geneva
28-31 October 2006	10 th round of negotiations in Cairo
27 January 2007	FTA signed in Davos
1 August 2007	FTA enters into force
3-4 November 2008	1 st meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
2-3 May 2012	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Cairo
15-16 June 2016	3 rd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
15 March 2018	Trade Promotion Seminar in Cairo
2 May 2019	4 th Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Cairo

GCC, Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (2009)

23 May 2000	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Brussels
14 January 2003	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Riyadh
20 September 2004	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
18 February 2006	Adoption of terms of reference for free trade negotiations
20-22 June 2006	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
13-15 November 2006	2 nd round of negotiations in Riyadh
21-22 March 2007	Technical meeting in Geneva
19-21 June 2007	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
11-15 November 2007	4 th round of negotiations in Riyadh
21-23 April 2008	5 th round and finalisation of negotiations in Geneva
22 June 2009	FTA signed in Hamar

24 January 2014	Ministerial event in Davos
25 September 2014	Meeting on the implementation of the FTA in Riyadh
1 July 2014	FTA enters into force
15 January 2015	1 st Joint Committee meeting in Muscat
27 April 2015	1 st Sub-Committee meeting in Riyadh
27 May 2015	Joint Committee Decision signed in Riyadh
4-5 May 2017	2 nd Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Geneva
3-4 March 2019	3 rd Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Riyadh
11 November 2021	4 th Sub-Committee meeting, VC
20 January 2022	4 th Joint Committee meeting, VC
27 September 2022	Extraordinary Joint committee meeting, VC
22 November 2022	5 th Sub-Committee meeting, VC
22 March 2022	6 th Sub-Committee meeting, VC

Georgia (2016)

28 June 2012	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
29 September 201	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
4 February 2015	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Tbilisi
1-4 September 2015	1 st round of negotiations in Tbilisi
1-4 December 2015	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
24-26 February 2016	3 rd round of negotiations in Tbilisi
27 June 2016	FTA signed in Bern
1 September 2017	FTA enters into force for Georgia, Iceland and Norway
1 May 2018	FTA enters into force for Switzerland and Liechtenstein
7 June 2018	Trade Promotion Seminar in Tbilisi
12-13 May 2022	1 st Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Geneva

Hong Kong, China (2011)

3 April 2009	Exploratory meeting in Geneva
16 September 2009	Organisational meeting in Hong Kong
18-21 January 2010	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
29 June – 2 July 2010	2 nd round of negotiations in Hong Kong
23-27 August 2010	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
30 Nov – 3 Dec 2010	4 th round of negotiations in Hong Kong
28 Feb – 4 Mar 2011	Negotiating meeting in Bern
21 June 2011	FTA signed in Schaan
1 October 2012	FTA enters into force for Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland
1 November 2012	FTA enters into force for Norway
30-31 October 2017	1 st Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Geneva

Indonesia (2018)

29 November 2005	Record of Understanding signed in Geneva
25-26 April 2006	1 st meeting of the Joint Study Group in Geneva
26-27 September 2006	2 nd meeting of the Joint Study Group in Jakarta
4-6 March 2008	Seminar on export promotion in Jakarta
24 February 2010	Organisational meeting in Geneva
7 July 2010	Launch of negotiations in Jakarta
28-29 September 2010	Organisational meeting in Geneva
31 Jan – 3 Feb 2011	1 st round of negotiations in Jakarta
6-8 June 2011	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
1-4 November 2011	3 rd round of negotiations in Bali
26-29 March 2012	4 th round of negotiations in Yogyakarta
3-4 April 2012	Seminar on government procurement in Jakarta
3-6 July 2012	5 th round of negotiations in Engelberg
5-8 March 2013	6 th round of negotiations in Lugano
12-16 May 2013	7 th round of negotiations in Solo
9-12 October 2013	8 th round of negotiations in Ålesund
24 March 2014	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Geneva
12-13 May 2014	9 th round of negotiations in Surabaya
10 October 2014	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Geneva
11-12 May 2015	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Jakarta
14 March 2016	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Jakarta
23-26 May 2016	10 th round of negotiations in Interlaken
27-30 September 2016	11 th round of negotiations in Bandung
28-31 March 2017	12 th round of negotiations in Geneva
6-10 November 2017	13 th round of negotiations in Jakarta
21 February 2018	Spokespersons meeting (PhoneConference)
26 Feb – 2 March 2018	14 th round of negotiations in Geneva
23-27 April 2018	15 th round of negotiations in Jakarta
7-8 August 2018	Heads meeting in Geneva
27-31 August 2018	15 th bis round of negotiations in Yogyakarta
29-31 October 2018	Wrap-up meeting in Denpasar
23 November 2018	Joint Statement of Conclusion of negotiations signed in Geneva
16 December 2018	Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) signed in Jakarta
30 April 2021	Meeting with Vice Minister of Trade of Indonesia in Geneva
1 November 2021	CEPA entered into force
6 December 2022	1 st meeting of the Sub-Committee on Trade in Goods and the 1 st meeting of the Sub-Committee on Cooperation and Capacity Building in Jakarta
7 December 2022	1 st Joint Committee meeting in Jakarta

Israel (1992)

17 September 1992	FTA signed in Geneva
1 January 1993	FTA enters into force with Norway

1 July 1993	FTA enters into force with Switzerland
1 August 1993	FTA enters into force with Iceland
1 May 1994	FTA enters into force with Liechtenstein
10-12 November 1993	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and 1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Jerusalem
13-14 February 1996	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
12-13 November 1997	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Jerusalem
24 June 1999	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
12-13 June 2003	6 th meeting of the Sub- and 5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
14-15 June 2005	7 th meeting of the Sub- and 6 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Jerusalem
11-12 June 2008	8 th meeting of the Sub- and 7 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Crans Montana
23 November 2011	9 th meeting of the Sub- and 8 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Jerusalem
21 November 2018	9 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
22 November 2018	Revised bilateral agricultural agreements with Switzerland, Norway and Iceland signed in Geneva 1 August 2021
	Revised bilateral agricultural agreements with Switzerland, Norway and Iceland entered into force
9 December 2021	Meeting on modernisation of the FTA, VC

Jordan (2001)

19 June 1997	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
18 February 1998	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Amman. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to begin exploratory talks
22-23 September 1998	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
17-18 March 1999	2 nd round of negotiations in Amman
17-19 May 2000	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
23 May 2001	Initialling of FTA in Geneva
21 June 2001	FTA signed in Vaduz
1 September 2002	FTA enters into force
26 February 2004	1st meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Amman
18-19 December 2007	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
22-23 February 2011	3 rd meeting of the Sub and Joint Committee in Amman
24 February 2011	Seminar on export promotion

Korea, Republic of (2005)

14 May 2004	Establishment of a Joint Study Group in Paris
11-13 August 2004	1 st meeting of the Joint Study Group in Geneva
13-15 October 2004	2 nd meeting of the Joint Study Group in Seoul

17-21 January 2005	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
4-8 April 2005	2 nd round of negotiations in Seoul
30 May-2 June 2005	3 rd round of negotiations in Oslo
4-8 July 2005	4 th round of negotiations in Seoul
12 September 2005	FTA initialled in Geneva
15 December 2005	FTA signed in Hong Kong
1 September 2006	FTA enters into force for Switzerland, Norway, and Liechtenstein
1 October 2006	FTA enters into force for Iceland
27-28 May 2008	1 st meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Seoul
31 March-1 April 2009	2 nd meeting of the Sub-Committee Oslo.
21 April 2009	Ad-hoc meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
20-21 January 2010	2 nd Joint Committee and 3 rd Sub-Committee meeting in Geneva
13-14 March 2012	3 rd Joint Committee and 4 th Sub-Committee meeting in Seoul
25-26 November 2013	4 th Joint Committee and 5 th Sub-Committee meeting in Geneva
10-11 March 2016	5 th Joint Committee and 6 th Sub Committee meetings in Seoul
22 September 2017	Meeting with Deputy Minister of Trade in Seoul
5 June 2018	7 th Sub-Committee meeting in Geneva
6 June 2018	6 th Joint Committee meeting in Geneva
2 December 2019	8 th Sub-Committee meeting in Seoul
28 May 2020	9 th Sub-Committee meeting by VC
5 June 2020	7 th Joint Committee meeting by VC

Lebanon (2004)

19 June 1997	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
19 February 1998	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Beirut Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to begin exploratory talks
4 July 2002	1 st meeting of the Joint Sub-Committee in Geneva
8-9 April 2003	Formal launch of negotiations in Beirut
17-21 November 2003	2 nd round of negotiations in Beirut
11-12 March 2004	3 rd round of negotiations and initialling in Geneva
24 June 2004	FTA signed in Montreux
15-17 November 2005	Seminar on customs and intellectual property rights in Beirut
1 January 2007	FTA enters into force for all Parties
20-21 February 2007	Seminar on export promotion in Beirut
28-29 October 2008	Seminar on sanitary and phytosanitary issues in Beirut
19-21 May 2009	Seminar on competition in Beirut
7-8 October 2009	1 st meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Beirut
28-29 July 2016	Workshops on rules of origin in Beirut
28-29 July 2016	Launch of PEM Manual in Beirut

Mexico (2000)

2 May 2000	Technical talks on a possible FTA in Geneva
6-7 July 2000	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
7-14 September 2000	2 nd round of negotiations in Mexico City
2-6 October 2000	3 rd round of negotiations in Mexico City
30 Oct.-3 Nov. 2000	4 th round of negotiations in Geneva
27 November 2000	FTA signed in Mexico City
1 July 2001	FTA enters into force
18-21 October 2002	1 st meeting of the Sub-Committee in Mexico City
22 October 2002	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Mexico City
6-7 November 2003	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
2-3 March 2005	3 rd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Mexico City
22-23 September 2008	4 th meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
4 May 2010	5 th meeting of the Sub-Committee in Mexico City
7 May 2010	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Mexico City
11 October 2011	Agricultural Agreements signed in Mexico City
13 August 2014	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
19 June 2015	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
16 July 2015	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
28 October 2015	Meeting of heads of Delegation by VC
22 January 2016	Joint Statement launching negotiations on a review of the EFTA-Mexico FTA signed in Davos
10-13 May 2016	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
30 Aug-2 Sept 2016	2 nd round of negotiations in Mexico City
16-20 January 2017	3 rd round of negotiations in Lugano
6-9 June 2017	4 th round of negotiations in Mexico City
1 February 2022	Heads and trade in goods experts meeting, VC

Montenegro (2011)

12 December 2000	Joint Declaration on Cooperation with Yugoslavia signed in Geneva
30 March-1 April 2011	1 st round of negotiations in Podgorica
19-20 April 2011	2 nd round of negotiations in Balzers
14 November 2011	FTA signed in Geneva
1 September 2012	FTA enters into force with Liechtenstein and Switzerland
1 October 2012	FTA enters into force with Iceland
1 November 2012	FTA enters into force with Norway
12 September 2012	Seminar on export promotion in Montenegro
24-25 April 2014	1 st Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Podgorica
14 July 2021	Protocol signed providing a dynamic link to PEM rules of origin
1 April 2022	Protocol enters into force

Morocco (1997)

8 December 1995	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Zermatt
17 April 1996	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
19 June 1997	FTA signed in Geneva
1 December 1999	FTA enters into force
24 October 2000	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Rabat
6-7 May 2002	1 st meeting of the Sub-Committee in Geneva
12 June 2002	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
25-26 October 2004	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and 3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Rabat
12-13 March 2007	3 rd meeting of the Sub- and 4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
4-6 October 2010	4 th meeting of the Sub- and 5 th meeting of the Joint Committee and seminar on rules of origin in Rabat

North Macedonia (2000)

29 March 1996	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Vaduz
8 November 1996	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Ohrid; Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to examine measures to be undertaken in view of creating a free trade area between the Parties.
25 June 1998	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
22 June 1999	1 st meeting of the Sub-Committee in Geneva
22 June 1999	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
11-12 November 1999	2 nd meeting of the Sub-Committee in Skopje
11-12 November 1999	2 nd round of negotiations in Skopje
1-2 February 2000	3 rd meeting of the Sub-Committee in Geneva
1-2 February 2000	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
10-12 April 2000	4 th meeting of the Sub-Committee in Skopje
10-11 April 2000	4 th round of negotiations in Skopje
11 May 2000	5 th meeting of the Sub-Committee in Geneva
11-12 May 2000	5 th round of negotiations and initialling of FTA in Geneva
19 June 2000	FTA signed in Zurich
1 May 2002	FTA enters into force with Norway, Liechtenstein and Switzerland
1 August 2002	FTA enters into force with Iceland
8 May 2003	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Skopje
27-28 November 2008	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva

Palestinian Authority (1998)

16 December 1996	Joint Declaration on Cooperation for the benefit of the Palestinian Interim Self-Government Authority of The West Bank and Gaza Strip is signed in Geneva
22-23 January 1998	1 st meeting of the “Forum for consultations” in Geneva, followed by the 1st meeting of the negotiating group on the EFTA-Palestinian Authority FTA
23-24 June 1998	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
21-23 October 1998	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva; FTA initialled by Parties on 23 October 1998 in Geneva
30 November 1998	Interim agreement for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority signed in Leukerbad
1 July 1999	FTA enters into force with Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland
1 November 2000	FTA enters into force with Iceland
10-11 June 2003	1 st meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
12-13 March 2008	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
14-15 September 2010	3 rd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
22-23 October 2012	4 th meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
13-14 May 2013	Committee on customs and origin matters and PEM meeting in Brussels
19-22 May 2014	Workshop on customs and origin matters and PEM in Oslo and Brussels
16-17 September 2014	Workshop on rules of origin in Catania
4-8 May 2014	Seminar on sanitary and phytosanitary issues and technical barriers to trade in Palestine
1-5 June 2014	Seminar on sanitary and phytosanitary issues and technical barriers to trade in Palestine
27 August 2015	5 th meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
7-8 October 2015	Seminar on intellectual property rights in Palestine
25-29 September 2016	Seminar on design and patents in Palestine
24-26 October 2016	Seminar on trademarks and geographical indications in Palestine
27 June 2019	6 th Sub- and Joint Committee meetings and Agricultural meeting in Ramallah

Peru (2010)

24 April 2006	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
3 October 2006	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Lima
22 March 2007	Seminar on rules of origin in Lima
4-8 June 2007	1 st round of negotiations in Bogotá
27-31 August 2007	2 nd round of negotiations in Lima
26-27 September 2007	Seminar on export promotion
28 Oct-3 Nov 2007	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
1-6 April 2008	4 th round of negotiations in Bogotá

27-31 October 2008	5 th round and finalisation of negotiations in Lima
24 June / 14 July 2010	FTA signed in Reykjavik and in Lima
1 July 2011	FTA enters into force with Liechtenstein and Switzerland
1 October 2011	FTA enters into force with Iceland
1 July 2012	FTA enters into force with Norway
16-17 April 2013	1 st Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Geneva
17-19 September 2019	2 nd Sub-Committee meeting in Lima
20 September 2019	2 nd Joint Committee meeting in Lima

Philippines (2016)

13 June 2013	Exploratory meeting in Brussels
19 November 2013	Technical meeting in Geneva
24 January 2014	Ministerial event in Davos
23 June 2014	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed on the Westman Islands
27 October 2014	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
24 November 2014	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Geneva
24-27 March 2015	1 st round of negotiations in Manila
29 June – 3 July 2015	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
22-25 September 2015	3 rd round of negotiations in Panglao
24-27 November 2015	4 th round of negotiations in Geneva
1-6 February 2016	5 th round of negotiations in Manila
28 April 2016	FTA signed in Bern
27 March 2018	Visit by Undersecretary Rodolfo in Geneva
1 June 2018	Entry into force of the Agreement for the Philippines, Switzerland, Liechtenstein and Norway
5-9 November 2018	Trade promotion seminar in Cebu/Davao and Manila
1 January 2020	FTA entered into force for Iceland
13 October 2020	Informal heads meeting
21 September 2021	Trade promotion webinar, VC
15 June 2022	Visit by Undersecretary Rodolfo in Geneva
9-10 January 2023	1 st Joint and Sub-Committee meeting in Geneva

Serbia (2009)

12 December 2000	Joint Declaration on Cooperation with Yugoslavia signed in Geneva
24 September 2001	1 st meeting of Joint EFTA-Yugoslavia Committee in Belgrade
14 June 2002	1 st meeting of the EFTA-Yugoslavia Sub-Committee in Geneva
18 June 2008	2 nd meeting of the Sub-Committee in Geneva
28-30 April 2009	1 st round of negotiations in Belgrade
10-12 June 2009	2 nd round of negotiations in Belgrade
17 December 2009	FTA signed in Geneva
1 October 2010	FTA enters into force with Liechtenstein and Switzerland

8-9 December 2010	Export promotion seminar in Belgrade
1 June 2011	FTA enters into force with Norway
1 October 2011	FTA enters into force with Iceland
24-25 October 2012	1 st Sub- and Joint Committee meeting in Geneva
19-20 May 2015	2 nd Sub- and Joint Committee meeting in Belgrade
20 May 2015	Protocol changing the Agreement and including a chapter on Trade and Sustainable development signed in Belgrade
19 June 2018	3 rd Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Geneva

Singapore (2002)

2-6 July 2001	1 st round of negotiations in Oslo
22-24 August 2001	Restricted meeting in Singapore
27 Sept-5 Oct 2001	2 nd round of negotiations in Singapore
1-7 November 2001	3 rd round of negotiations in Singapore
26 June 2002	FTA signed in Egilsstadir
1 January 2003	FTA enters into force
25-26 May 2004	1 st meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Singapore
13-14 March 2007	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
5-6 July 2010	3 rd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Singapore
11-12 June 2013	4 th meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
14 October 2020	5 th Sub-Committee meeting, VC
15 October 2020	5 th Joint Committee meeting, VC

Tunisia (2004)

8 December 1995	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Zermatt
22 April 1996	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
7-8 October 1996	1 st round of negotiations in Tunis
5-7 March 1997	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
25-26 June 1997	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
14-15 December 1998	4 th round of negotiations in Geneva
2-3 May 2001	5 th round of negotiations in Tunis
12 November 2003	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Tunis
5-7 April 2004	6 th round of negotiations in Geneva
1 December 2004	FTA initialled in Geneva
17 December 2004	FTA signed in Geneva
1 June 2005	FTA enters into force with Switzerland and Liechtenstein
1 August 2005	FTA enters into force with Norway
1 March 2006	FTA enters into force with Iceland
27-28 February 2007	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Tunis

Türkiye (1991/2018)

10 December 1991	FTA signed in Geneva
1 April 1992	FTA enters into force with Liechtenstein and Switzerland
15 April 1992	FTA enters into force with Norway
1 September 1992	FTA enters into force with Iceland
19 November 1992	1st meeting of the Joint Committee in Istanbul
22-23 November 1993	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
18-19 April 1996	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
4 February 1998	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Istanbul
1 July 1998	Restricted follow-up meeting to the 4th Joint Committee meeting in Geneva
15-16 November 2000	9 th and 10 th meeting of the Sub- and 5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
4-5 November 2002	11 th meeting of the Sub- and 6 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Ankara
1 July 2004	7 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
30 June 2004	12 th meeting of the Sub Committee in Geneva
30-31 May 2006	13 th meeting of the Sub- and 8 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Ankara
2-3 December 2009	14 th meeting of the Sub- and 9 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
29-30 May 2012	15 th meeting of the Sub- and 10 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Ankara
24 January 2014	Exploratory meeting in Ankara
19 June 2014	11 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Ankara
20 August 2014	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Geneva
16-17 September 2014	1 st negotiating round on the review and expansion of the existing FTA in Ankara
25-27 February 2015	2 nd negotiating round in Geneva
2-4 June 2015	3 rd negotiating round in Ankara
8-9 February 2017	Meeting of heads of Delegation and services experts in Geneva
20 February 2018	Legal Review Meeting by VC
22 March 2017	Meeting of heads of Delegation and services experts by VC
4-6 April 2017	4 th round of negotiations in Ankara
22-25 August 2017	5 th round of negotiations in Geneva
14-16 November 2017	6 th round of negotiations in Ankara
24 November 2017	Meeting with Minister of Economy, announcing joint statement on the conclusion in principle of the negotiations on the modernisation and expansion of the FTA in Geneva
16-18 January 2018	Legal review meeting in Bern
12-13 March 2018	Legal review meeting by VC
25 June 2018	Free Trade Agreement signed in Sauðárkrókur
1 October 2021	Modernised and expanded FTA entered into force

Ukraine (2010)

19 June 2000	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Zurich
24 September 2002	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Kyiv
16 November 2005	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
21-23 November 2006	Seminar on intellectual property rights and customs in Kyiv
31 January 2007	Seminar on sanitary and phytosanitary issues and fisheries in Kyiv
30 Sept-1 Oct 2008	Exploratory Meeting in Geneva
21-22 April 2009	1 st round of negotiations in Kyiv
25-28 August 2009	2 nd round of negotiations FTA in Kyiv
3-5 November 2009	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
16-19 February 2010	4 th round of negotiations in Kyiv
17-18 March 2010	Meeting of heads of Delegation and agricultural experts in Geneva
26-30 April 2010	5 th round of negotiations in Kyiv
24 June 2010	FTA signed in Reykjavik
1 June 2012	FTA enters into force
9 October 2012	Seminar on export promotion in Kyiv
28-29 May 2013	1 st Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Kyiv
31 May 2013	Seminar on customs and origin in Donetsk
18 April 2016	Meeting with the EFTA Secretariat in Geneva
27 March 2017	2 nd Sub- and Joint Committee meetings in Geneva
12 December 2022	Heads meeting, VC

FTA NEGOTIATIONS

Algeria (2002)

13 December 2002	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Interlaken
21 October 2003	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Algiers
2 June 2004	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
8-9 November 2005	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
17-18 July 2007	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
19-21 November 2007	1 st round of negotiations in Algiers
26-29 February 2008	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
5-8 May 2008	3 rd round of negotiations in Algiers
18-21 November 2008	4 th round of negotiations in Geneva

Chile (2003)

27 September 1999	Exploratory exchange of information in Geneva
15 November 1999	Exploratory exchange of information in Geneva
4 December 2000	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
7-11 May 2001	2 nd round of negotiations in Santiago
3-7 September 2001	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
24-26 October 2001	4 th round of negotiations in Santiago
4 February 2002	Restricted meeting in Geneva
2-6 September 2002	5 th round of negotiations in Geneva
17-23 March 2003	6 th round of negotiations and initialling in Geneva
26 June 2003	FTA signed in Kristiansand
1 December 2004	FTA enters in force
30-31 January 2006	1 st meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
7-8 April 2008	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Santiago
9-10 April 2008	Seminar on export promotion in Santiago
28 April 2011	3 rd meeting of the Sub-Committee on Customs and origin matters by teleconference
5 May 2011	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
9-10 January 2012	4 th meeting of the Sub Committee in Santiago
3 April 2013	Exploratory meeting by teleconference
10 October 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
11-12 November 2014	5 th Sub- and 4 th Joint Committee meeting in Santiago
13 November 2014	Seminar on trade promotion in Santiago
25 August 2015	Meeting of heads of Delegation and experts by teleconference
14-15 January 2016	Exploratory meeting in Geneva
23 June 2016	Meeting of heads of Delegation by VC
19 October 2017	Meeting of heads of Delegation by VC
25-27 September 2019	1 st round of negotiations in Santiago
23 December 2019	Spokespersons meeting by teleconference
27-30 April 2020	2 nd round of negotiations by VC

9 July 2020	Heads meeting by VC
6-22 October 2020	Intersessional meetings, VC (Legal and Horizontal, TSD, IPR, RoO, Services, TiG, TF, GP, heads)
26 November 2020	Legal and Horizontal Technical meeting, VC
30 November 2020	Intersessional experts meeting on Trade Remedies, VC
11 December 2020	Financial Services intersessional meeting, VC
15 December 2020	TBT experts meeting, VC
13 January 2021	Heads meeting, VC
23 February 2021	Financial Services intersessional meeting, VC
8-12 March 2021	3rd round of negotiations, VC
4 May 2021	Heads and experts meeting on market access and GIs, VC
20 May 2021	Financial Services intersessional meeting, VC
9 June 2021	Services, market access meeting, VC
24 February 2022	Heads and experts meeting, VC
16 May 2022	Heads meeting, VC
10 November 2022	Financial services expert meeting, VC
14 November 2022	Trade facilitation expert meeting, VC
21-24 November 2022	4 th round of negotiations in Geneva
31 January 2023	Global value chains and SMEs meeting, VC
14-15 February 2023	Rules of Origin meeting
27-30 March 2023	5 th round of negotiations in Santiago

India (2006)

1 December 2006	Record of Understanding signed in Geneva
23-24 April 2007	1 st meeting of the Joint Study Group in New Delhi
25-26 July 2007	2 nd meeting of the Joint Study Group in Geneva
3 September 2007	3 rd meeting of the Joint Study Group in New Delhi
8-10 October 2007	4 th meeting of the Joint Study Group in Vaduz
26 January 2008	Joint Statement on the launch of negotiations on a Trade and Investment Agreement signed
6-8 October 2008	1 st round of negotiations in New Delhi
15-19 December 2008	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
23-26 February 2009	3 rd round of negotiations in New Delhi
22-24 September 2009	4 th round of negotiations in New Delhi
17-19 August 2010	5 th round of negotiations in New Delhi
11-12 November 2010	6 th round of negotiations in Geneva
15-18 February 2011	7 th round of negotiations in New Delhi
30-31 May 2011	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Oslo
15-17 June 2011	8 th round of negotiations in Delhi
14-15 September 2011	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Lucerne
12-14 October 2011	9 th round of negotiations in Delhi
29 November 2011	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Delhi
30 Nov-2 Dec 2011	10 th round of negotiations in Delhi
23-24 January 2012	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Vaduz
5-7 March 2012	11 th round of negotiations in Delhi

27-29 August 2012	Meeting of heads of Delegation and experts in Delhi
5 July 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Delhi
18 September 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Geneva
14-18 October 2013	12 th round of negotiations in Delhi
31 October 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
25-29 November 2013	13 th round of negotiations in Delhi
10 December 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
10 November 2014	Meeting of heads of Delegation by teleconference
10 June 2016	Meeting of heads of Delegation in New Delhi
14 September 2016	Meeting of heads of Delegation and data security experts in New Delhi
26-28 October 2016	14 th round of negotiations in Geneva
11-13 January 2017	15 th round of negotiations in New Delhi
29 May-2 June 2017	16 th round of negotiations in Malbun
18-21 September 2017	17 th round of negotiations in New Delhi
19 December 2017	Spokespersons meeting by teleconference
19 February 2018	Spokespersons meeting by teleconference
26 April 2018	Spokespersons meeting by teleconference
15 June 2018	Heads and Services experts meeting by VC
7 September 2018	Heads and Services experts meeting by VC
14 August 2019	Spokespersons meeting by teleconference
4 October 2019	Heads meeting by VC
2 March 2020	Spokespersons meeting by teleconference
27 May 2021	Spokespersons meeting by teleconference
19 May 2022	Spokespersons meeting by VC
15 September 2022	Heads meeting by VC

Kosovo (2018)

23 November 2018	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
19 November 2020	1 st Joint Committee Meeting, VC
20 June 2022	Launch of negotiation in Borgarnes, Iceland
29-31 August 2022	1 st round of negotiations, Geneva
29 Nov-1 Dec 2022	2 nd round of negotiations, Prishtina

Malaysia (2010)

20 July 2010	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
28 June 2011	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Kuala Lumpur
18 April 2012	Exploratory meeting in Brussels
18 September 2012	Exploratory meeting in Kuala Lumpur
5 November 2012	Launching event in Kuala Lumpur
3 December 2012	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Paris
28 May 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Geneva

25-28 March 2014	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva
2-5 September 2014	2 nd round of negotiations in Kuala Lumpur
25-28 November 2014	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
5-8 May 2015	4 th round of negotiations in Kuala Lumpur
6-9 October 2015	5 th round of negotiations in Oslo
14-17 March 2016	6 th round of negotiations in Kuala Lumpur
30 May-2 June 2016	7 th round of negotiations in Geneva
13-17 March 2017	8 th round of negotiations in Kuala Lumpur
15 February 2018	Meeting of the EFTA Spokesperson with a High Official in Geneva
27 September 2018	Spokespersons meeting in Geneva
29 November 2019	Heads meeting, VC
25-28 February 2020	9 th round of negotiations in Kuala Lumpur
25-28 May 2021	10 th round of negotiations, VC
30 Aug. - 2 Sept. 2021	11 th round of negotiations, VC
14 October 2021	Intersessional meeting on Investment, VC
26-27 January 2022	Heads and experts meeting, VC
March/April/May 2022	Experts meeting on services, IPR, sustainable development, government procurement VC
30 May-2 Jun 2022	12 th round of negotiations in Geneva
11-14 October 2022	13 th Round of Negotiations in Kuala Lumpur
29 Nov-1 Dec 2022	Expert meeting on Trade and Sustainable Development in Kuala Lumpur
30 Jan-3 Feb 2023	Expert meetings, VC
3 February 2023	Heads meeting, VC
March, April, May 2023	Expert meetings, VC and in Kuala Lumpur

Mercosur (2000)

12 December 2000	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
29 November 2002	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Brussels
11 November 2004	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
12-13 September 2011	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Montevideo
6 March 2015	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Brasilia
8-9 June 2015	1 st exploratory dialogue in Geneva
7-8 June 2016	2 nd exploratory dialogue in Montevideo
11 October 2016	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Brussels
19 January 2017	Meeting at ministerial level in Davos
17 February 2017	Preparatory meeting for the start of negotiations in Brussels
13-16 June 2017	1 st round of negotiations in Buenos Aires
29 Aug-1 Sept 2017	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
17-18 October 2017	Meeting of heads of Delegation and experts in Buenos Aires
10-13 April 2018	3 rd round of negotiations in Buenos Aires
2-6 July 2018	4 th round of negotiations in Geneva
8-12 October 2018	5 th round of negotiations in Buenos Aires
16-19 October 2018	Legal and Horizontal group, 5 th round in Buenos Aires
26-30 November 2018	6 th round of negotiations in Geneva

11-15 February 2019	7 th round of negotiations in Buenos Aires
6-10 May 2019	8 th round of negotiations in Buenos Aires
11-14 June 2019	9 th round of negotiations in Geneva
20-23 August 2019	10 th round of negotiations in Buenos Aires
10-13 February 2020	Legal review meeting in Buenos Aires
10 June 2020	Heads and experts meeting by VC
12 November 2020	IPR experts meeting on GIs, VC
27 November 2020	Rules of Origin meeting on extended accumulation, VC
17 March 2021	Heads and experts meeting, VC
17 October 2022	Heads and experts meeting, VC

Moldova (2017)

24 November 2017	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
15 May 2018	1 st Joint Committee Meeting in Chişinău
3 December 2020	Heads and experts meeting, VC
23-25 March 2021	1 st round of negotiations, VC
12 May 2021	Intersessional meeting on IPR, VC
22 June 2021	Intersessional meeting on TiG, VC
2 June-2 July 2021	2 nd round of negotiations, VC
9-10 June 2022	3 rd round of negotiations, Geneva
18-19 October 2022	4 th round of negotiations, VC
5-6 December 2022	5 th round of negotiations, Geneva
19 January 2023	TRQs and wrap-up meeting, VC
24 March 2023	Wrap-up meeting and conclusion of negotiations, VC

Russia / Belarus / Kazakhstan (2007)

4 December 2007	Record of Understanding with Russia signed in Geneva and in Moscow
30 January 2008	1 st meeting of the Joint Study Group in Moscow
17-18 April 2008	2 nd meeting of the Joint Study Group in Geneva
2-4 July 2008	3 rd meeting of the Joint Study Group in Moscow
15-16 September 2008	4 th meeting of the Joint Study Group in Geneva
16 December 2009	EFTA-Russia informal meeting in Brussels
13 January 2010	EFTA-Russia technical meeting in Geneva
22 January 2010	EFTA-Russia organisational meeting in Moscow
26-28 May 2010	EFTA-Russia/Belarus/Kazakhstan heads and experts meeting in Geneva
21-22 October 2010	EFTA-Russia/Belarus/Kazakhstan organisational meeting in Geneva
23 November 2010	Launch of negotiations on an EFTA-Russia/Belarus/Kazakhstan FTA in Geneva
11-14 January 2011	1 st round of negotiations in Geneva

11-14 April 2011	2 nd round of negotiations in Almaty
29 Aug–1 Sept 2011	3 rd round of negotiations in Geneva
16-19 January 2012	4 th round of negotiations in Kazan
16-19 April 2012	5 th round of negotiations in Geneva
17-20 September 2012	6 th round of negotiations in Ålesund
28-31 January 2013	7 th round of negotiations in Astana
8-11 April 2013	8 th round of negotiations in Irkutsk
16-17 April 2013	Seminar on government procurement in Moscow
1-4 July 2013	9 th round of negotiations in Geneva
23-26 September 2013	10 th round of negotiations in Reykjavik
27-30 January 2014	11 th round of negotiations in Astana
March 2014	Negotiations suspended

SACU (2006)

6 November 2000	High-level talks in Pretoria
28-29 June 2001	Exploratory exchange of information with South Africa in Geneva
27-28 November 2002	Exploratory exchange of information with South Africa in Geneva
19-23 May 2003	Formal launch of negotiations in Pretoria
29 September 2003	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
15-18 March 2004	3 rd round of negotiations in Pretoria
13-17 September 2004	4 th round of negotiations in Geneva
2-7 December 2004	5 th round of negotiations in Pretoria
12-16 April 2005	6 th round of negotiations in Geneva
24-26 August 2005	7 th round of negotiations in Pretoria
26 June 2006	FTA signed by Iceland, Norway and Lichtenstein in Höfn
1 July 2006	FTA signed by Switzerland, South Africa and Swaziland in Geneva
14 July 2006	FTA signed by Botswana and Namibia in Gaborone
7 August 2006	FTA signed by Lesotho in Pretoria
1-15 November 2006	Seminar on capacity building in Windhoek
1 May 2008	FTA enters into force
3-4 February 2009	1 st meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Pretoria
13-24 July 2009	Seminars on export promotion in Gaborone, Johannesburg, Cape Town, Windhoek and Maseru
30 June-1 July 2011	2 nd meeting of the Sub- and Joint Committee in Geneva
12-13 March 2012	3 rd meeting of the Sub Committee meeting on customs and origin in Pretoria
21-22 April 2015	4 th meeting of the Sub Committee on customs and origin and 3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Gaborone
3-4 November 2016	4 th Joint Committee meeting in Walvis Bay.
13-15 December 2016	Workshop on self-declaration in Johannesburg
30 Jan-1 Feb 2018	1 st negotiating round on the review of the existing FTA in Geneva

23-25 May 2018	2 nd review meeting in Durban
16-19 October 2018	3 rd review meeting in Oslo
4-7 March 2019	4 th review meeting in Kasane
1-4 July 2019	5 th review meeting in Geneva
10-13 December 2019	6 th review meeting in Maun
3-4 November 2021	Senior Officials Meeting, VC

Singapore (Digital Economy Agreement) (2023)

16 February 2023	Official launch of negotiations on a EFTA-Singapore Digital Economy Agreement at Ministerial level, VC
8 March 2023	1 st round of negotiations on a Digital Economy Agreement, VC

Thailand, Kingdom of (2005)

10 January 2005	1 st Consultation meeting in Bangkok
11-15 October 2005	1 st round of negotiations in Phuket
16-20 January 2006	2 nd round of negotiations in Chiang Mai
24 July 2012	Informal exploratory meeting in Geneva
2 July 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation in Bangkok
24 March 2020	Heads meeting, VC
2 November 2021	Heads meeting, VC
15 June 2022	Relaunch of FTA negotiations in Borgarnes
28-30 June 2022	1 st round of negotiations in Bangkok
1-4 November 2022	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
24-27 January 2023	3 rd round of negotiations in Bangkok

Vietnam (2010)

7 December 2009	Exploratory meeting in Hanoi
19 May 2010	Joint Statement signed in Geneva
11-12 August 2010	1 st meeting of the Joint Study Group in Geneva
17-18 November 2010	2 nd meeting of the Joint Study Group in Hanoi
19-20 January 2011	3 rd meeting of the Joint Study Group in Hanoi
22-23 March 2012	Organizational meeting in Hanoi
22-25 May 2012	1 st round of negotiations in Hanoi
3 July 2012	Launching event in Hanoi
16-19 October 2012	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
14-17 January 2013	3 rd round of negotiations in Hanoi
13-14 March 2013	Meeting of heads of Delegation and experts in Geneva
3-7 June 2013	4 th round of negotiations in Oslo
27-30 August 2013	5 th round of negotiations in Nha Trang

3 October 2013	Seminars on sanitary and phytosanitary issues in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City
13-15 November 2013	6 th round of negotiations in Geneva
24 February 2014	Meeting of rules of origin experts in Hanoi
25-28 February 2014	7 th round of negotiations in Hanoi
27 May 2014	Workshop on intellectual property rights in Hanoi
3-6 June 2014	8 th round of negotiations in Geneva
17-19 June 2014	Workshops on rules of origin in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City
26-29 August 2014	9 th round of negotiations in Hanoi
4-7 November 2014	10 th round of negotiations in Geneva
13-16 January 2015	11 th round of negotiations in Ho Chi Minh City
26-29 May 2015	12 th round of negotiations in Oslo
20-23 October 2015	13 th round of negotiations in Hanoi
2-4 May 2016	Heads of Delegation meeting in Geneva
28-29 November 2016	Heads of Delegation meeting in Hanoi
9-11 May 2017	14 th round of negotiations in Geneva
26-29 September 2017	15 th round of negotiations in Hanoi
29 May – 1 June 2018	16 th Round of Negotiations in Oslo
26 October 2018	Spokespersons meeting by phoneconference
25-27 November 2019	Heads and IPR experts meeting in Hanoi
15 May 2020	Heads and Trade in Goods experts meeting by VC
7 July 2020	Heads meeting by VC
19 October 2020	Government Procurement meeting, VC
24 November 2020	Trade in Goods experts meeting, VC
30 November 2020	Internal IPR experts meeting, VC
30 June 2021	Spokespersons meeting, VC
23 September 2021	Heads meeting, VC
26 November 2021	Experts meeting on Trade Remedies, VC
8 December 2021	RoO experts meeting, VC
14 December 2021	IPR experts Meeting, VC
18 January 2022	RoO experts meeting, VC
19 May 2022	RoO experts meeting, VC
2 March 2022	Trade in goods expert meeting, VC
6-7 April 2022	Services expert meeting, VC
6 May 2022	Spokespersons meeting, VC

JOINT DECLARATIONS ON COOPERATION AND RECORDS OF UNDERSTANDING

Mauritius (2009)

9 June 2009	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
10 June 2013	1 st Joint Committee meeting in Geneva
22 July 2016	2 nd Joint Committee meeting in Port Louis
21 May 2019	Meeting on Technical Cooperation in Geneva

Mongolia (2007)

28 June 2007	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Vaduz
8 November 2010	1 st Joint Committee meeting in Geneva
7 April 2016	Meeting with the EFTA Secretariat in Geneva
5 October 2017	2 nd Joint Committee meeting in Ulaanbaatar
21 March 2019	Technical Cooperation Workshop in Ulaanbaatar

Myanmar (2013)

24 June 2013	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Trondheim
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Nigeria (2017)

12 December 2017	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Buenos Aires
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Pakistan (2012)

18 April 2012	Exploratory meeting in Geneva
12 November 2012	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
23 October 2017	1 st Joint Committee meeting in Geneva

OTHER CONTACTS

ASEAN (2021)

14 April 2021	Launch of negotiations on a Joint Declaration on Cooperation
9 December 2022	Meeting on draft Joint Declaration on Cooperation in Jakarta

East African Community (2014)

9 December 2014	Visit of the EAC Secretary-General to the EFTA Secretary-General in Geneva
27 October 2015	Technical meeting of Secretariats in Arusha
19 April 2016	Meeting of heads of Delegation by VC
10 February 2017	Meeting of heads of Delegation by VC
19 October 2017	Meeting of heads of Delegation by VC

USA: EFTA US Trade Policy Dialogue (2013)

20 November 2013	1 st EFTA-US Trade Policy Dialogue in Washington D.C.
21 November 2013	Meeting with US Chamber of Commerce in Washington D.C.
4-5 June 2014	2 nd EFTA-US Trade Policy Dialogue in Washington D.C.
17 November 2014	Meeting between Deputy USTR, EFTA Ministers and the EFTA Parliamentary Committee in Geneva
11 May 2015	3 rd meeting EFTA-US Trade Policy Dialogue in Washington D.C.
1 September 2016	Meeting with USTR and the republican Senior Trade Council to the US House of Representatives
17 October 2018	5 th meeting EFTA-US Trade Policy Dialogue in Washington D.C.
6 November 2019	6 th meeting EFTA-US Trade Policy Dialogue in Washington D.C.
17 November 2021	7 th meeting EFTA-US Trade Policy Dialogue in Washington D.C.
16 December 2022	8 th meeting EFTA-US Trade Policy Dialogue in Washington D.C.

TERMINATED FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS
(former EFTA Partners that are *now members of the EU*)

Bulgaria (1993-2007)

10 December 1991	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
3 June 1992	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
29 March 1993	FTA signed in Geneva
1 January 1994	FTA enters into force with Norway
1 June 1994	FTA enters into force with Iceland and Switzerland
1 June 1994	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Sofia
1 October 1994	FTA enters into force with Liechtenstein
20 March 1996	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
18 December 1997	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Sofia
20 September 2000	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
1 January 2007	FTA terminated

Croatia (2001-2013)

19 June 2000	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Zurich
26-27 October 2000	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Zagreb
22-23 February 2001	2 nd round of negotiations in Geneva
21 June 2001	FTA signed in Vaduz
1 April 2002	FTA enters into force
11 December 2003	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Zagreb
5 December 2005	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
4 June 2009	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Zagreb
1 July 2013	FTA terminated

Czech Republic (1992-2004)

13 June 1990	Joint Declaration on Cooperation with the former CSFR signed in Gothenburg
16 November 1990	1 st meeting of the Joint EFTA-CSFR Committee in Geneva. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
20 March 1992	FTA with the former CSFR signed in Geneva
1 July 1992	FTA enters into force
19 April 1993	Protocol on the succession of the Czech Republic to the EFTA-CSFR FTA in Geneva
22-23 April 1993	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in St. Gallen
15 March 1994	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva

12 May 1995	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
15 October 1996	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Prague
10 June 1998	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
14 November 2000	6 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
25 November 2002	7 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Prague
30 April 2004	FTA terminated

Estonia (1995-2004)

10 December 1991	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
26 April 1993	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Stockholm
11 April 1994	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Tallinn: Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
7 December 1995	FTA signed in Zermatt
1 June 1996	FTA provisionally applied
2-3 June 1997	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Tallinn
1 October 1997	FTA enters into force
24 September 1999	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
27 November 2001	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Tallinn
30 April 2004	FTA terminated

Hungary (1993-2004)

13 June 1990	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Gothenburg
27 September 1990	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Budapest. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
27-28 June 1991	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Vienna
29 March 1993	FTA signed in Geneva
1 October 1993	FTA enters into force
20 December 1993	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Budapest
26 April 1995	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
27-28 February 1997	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Budapest
8 December 1998	6 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
21 November 2000	7 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Budapest
13 June 2002	8 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
30 April 2004	FTA terminated

Latvia (1995-2004)

10 December 1991	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
27 April 1993	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Stockholm

13 April 1994	2nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Riga. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA
7 December 1995	FTA signed in Zermatt
1 June 1996	FTA enters into force
4 June 1997	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Riga
23 September 1999	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
29 November 2001	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Riga
30 April 2004	FTA terminated

Lithuania (1995-2004)

10 December 1991	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
28 April 1993	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Stockholm
14-15 April 1994	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Vilnius. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
7 December 1995	FTA signed in Zermatt
1 January 1997	FTA enters into force
5-6 June 1997	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Vilnius
11 February 1999	Restricted meeting of the Joint Committee
22 September 1999	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
7 December 2000	Restricted meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
30 November 2001	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Vilnius
30 April 2004	FTA terminated

Poland (1992-2004)

13 June 1990	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Gothenburg
25 October 1990	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA
10 December 1992	FTA signed in Geneva
1 September 1994	FTA enters into force
27 October 1994	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Warsaw
26 June 1996	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
16 November 1998	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Warsaw
23 November 1999	6 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
5 December 2000	7 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
20 February 2001	8 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Brussels
26 September 2002	9 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Warsaw
3 May 2004	FTA terminated

Romania (1992-2007)

10 December 1991	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Geneva
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27 March 1992	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva.
16 June 1992	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA
10 December 1992	FTA signed in Geneva
1 July 1993	FTA enters into force with Norway
1 February 1994	FTA enters into force with Switzerland
1 May 1994	FTA enters into force with Liechtenstein
1 June 1994	FTA enters into force with Iceland
30 May 1994	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Bucharest
19 March 1996	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
16 December 1997	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Bucharest
11 June 2001	6 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
19 April 2002	Restricted meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
27 November 2003	7 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
1 January 2007	FTA terminated

Slovak Republic (1992-2004)

3 June 1990	Joint Declaration on Cooperation with the former CSFR signed in Gothenburg
16 November 1990	1 st meeting of the Joint EFTA-CSFR Committee in Geneva. Establishment of a joint sub-committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
20 March 1992	FTA with the former CSFR signed in Geneva
1 July 1992	FTA enters into force
19 April 1993	Protocol on the succession of the Slovak Republic to the EFTA-CSFR FTA signed in Geneva
22-23 April 1993	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in St. Gallen
17 March 1994	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
11 May 1995	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
16-17 October 1996	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Bratislava
11 June 1998	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
14 December 2000	6 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
10 February 2003	7 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Bratislava
30 April 2004	FTA terminated

Slovenia (1995-2004)

20 May 1992	Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed in Reykjavik
17 November 1992	1 st meeting of the Joint Committee in Ljubljana. Establishment of a Joint Sub-Committee to start elaboration of a draft FTA.
2-3 November 1993	2 nd meeting of the Joint Committee in Vaduz
13 June 1995	FTA signed in Bergen
1 July 1995	FTA provisionally applied
26-27 September 1996	3 rd meeting of the Joint Committee in Ljubljana

1 September 1998	FTA enters into force
21 May 1999	4 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Geneva
24 April 2001	5 th meeting of the Joint Committee in Ljubljana
30 April 2004	FTA terminated

Spain (1979-1985)

26 June 1979	FTA signed in Madrid
1 May 1980	FTA enters into force
31 December 1985	FTA terminated