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**USTDA-Sponsored Events
and Conferences Report**

Fiscal Year 2018

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Introduction

In response to the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) *Memorandum on Promoting Efficient Spending to Support Agency Operations (M-12-12)*, the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) is pleased to provide this report on USTDA-sponsored conferences and events for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018.

USTDA's mission is to help companies create U.S. jobs through the export of American goods and services for priority development projects in emerging economies. USTDA uses two approaches to fulfill its mission. The first is project preparation through the funding of U.S.-led feasibility studies, pilot projects, and technical assistance to link foreign project sponsors with U.S. businesses at the critical early stage of a project when technology options and project requirements are being defined. The second approach, and the subject of this report, is through partnership building activities that are designed to connect buyers from developing and middle-income countries with U.S. manufacturers and service providers in order to open new export markets and commercial opportunities around the world for American companies.

The partnership building activities and events include:

1. **Reverse Trade Missions (RTMs)** - RTMs bring foreign buyers to the United States, pending an upcoming procurement, to observe the design, manufacture, demonstration, and operation of U.S. products and services that can advance their infrastructure development goals. These strategically planned visits present excellent opportunities for U.S. businesses to establish or enhance relationships with prospective overseas customers, ultimately supporting U.S. jobs and exports.
2. **Conferences and Workshops** - USTDA organizes conferences and workshops to connect U.S. firms with foreign project sponsors. These sector- or region-specific events are designed to showcase U.S. goods, services, and technologies to foreign buyers. U.S. firms also have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with overseas project sponsors. These events provide U.S. companies with an understanding of U.S. government (USG) programs and the role they can play in facilitating exports, from advocacy support to export financing options.
3. **Training** - In support of U.S. businesses, USTDA provides training for foreign decision-makers to facilitate the export of U.S. equipment and services. Training can take place in either the United States or a host country and it typically focuses on technology or regulatory requirements to provide project sponsors with a better understanding of U.S. capabilities and expertise related to a procurement opportunity.
4. **Global Procurement Initiative** - Events associated with USTDA's Global Procurement Initiative (GPI) help public procurement officials establish best practices and policies that

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integrate life-cycle cost analysis and best-value determination in a fair, transparent manner. GPI in-country Workshops and Study Tours to the United States provide partner countries with the support they need to structure sound infrastructure tenders that can foster sustainable economic growth and level the playing field for greater competition.

USTDA's program creates a win-win scenario by promoting U.S. exports to advance economic growth in developing and middle-income countries. Given this unique role, USTDA is well-positioned to support U.S. businesses interested in entering or expanding their presence in emerging markets.

USTDA is fully committed to supporting U.S. jobs and helping U.S. businesses enter new overseas markets. The Agency looks forward to continuing its successful collaboration with its many partners spanning federal, state, and local governments, the U.S. business community, and overseas stakeholders to promote U.S. exports that meet the development needs of developing and middle-income countries.

Fiscal Stewardship

All USTDA conferences and events, regardless of cost, are approved at the highest levels of senior management, including the Director of the Agency. In addition, the Agency has instituted a multi-level review of conference and event budgets to ensure that they are appropriate and that USG funds are spent in an efficient and effective manner. Subsequent to development of a conference or event budget by program staff, it is reviewed by the Agency's Regional Director for the relevant region and by one of the Agency's Assistant General Counsels prior to presentation and further examination by the Agency's Executive Team.

As part of USTDA's fiscal stewardship, every aspect of the planning, logistics, and implementation of a conference or event is reviewed and monitored to ensure all monies are spent in the most cost-effective and efficient manner. Pursuant to Federal Acquisition Regulation procedures, USTDA competitively selects an outside contractor to manage conference logistics. USTDA pays for a portion of the conference costs by reimbursing the contractor for actual expenses incurred, such as lodging for the delegates, international and domestic airfare, land transportation, meals associated with the event, and interpretation services, if required. This approach allows USTDA to incur only actual conference costs rather than guaranteeing the contractor a fixed payment for the entire cost of the conference. Furthermore, if there are any gate receipts or sponsorships, these funds are used to offset USTDA's costs. These measures help to ensure that Agency funds are spent in the most cost-effective manner.

In FY 2018, USTDA supported 47 RTMs, conferences, and workshops, disbursing a total of \$8,149,363.85 in event expenses. Detailed descriptions of these events, organized chronologically, may be found in this report.

Key Details of FY 2018 Events & Conferences

China Live Power Line Maintenance Phase II Series RTM #2

Dates: October 15-28, 2017

Locations: Minneapolis, MN; St. Joseph, MO; Trenton, GA; Washington, D.C.; Watertown, SD

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$271,548.70

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$271,548.70

No. of delegates whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 15

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Live Power Line Maintenance RTM for a delegation of Chinese officials to view U.S. technologies and industry best practices in live power line maintenance. The delegates met with U.S. suppliers of power line maintenance equipment and participated in demonstrations with utilities. Delegates participated in a two-day training program at the Southeast Lineman Training Center in Trenton, GA.

Cameroon and Cote d'Ivoire Rail RTM

Dates: October 16-25, 2017

Locations: Chicago, IL; Dallas, TX; Atlanta, GA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$188,543.78

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$188,543.78

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 9

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 6

USTDA hosted the Cameroon and Cote d'Ivoire Rail RTM which included meetings designed to build constructive relationships between the delegation and key industry representatives from both the U.S. private and public sectors. The primary purpose of the RTM was to familiarize the delegation to U.S. technologies and best practices to assist in the modernization of railroad infrastructure and equipment in Cameroon and Cote d'Ivoire.

Vietnam EVNNPT Transmission Modernization RTM

Dates: October 16-27, 2017

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Portland, OR; San Francisco, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$299,383.74

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$299,383.74

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 15

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted Vietnam's National Power Transmission Corporation (EVNNPT) to highlight U.S. technology and service capabilities for the modernization of infrastructure and planning for Vietnam's power transmission sector. The RTM supported EVNNPT's efforts to upgrade and expand its infrastructure throughout its transmission network.

Southern China Cold Chain RTM

Dates: October 19 - November 2, 2017

Locations: Kansas City, MO; Philadelphia, PA; Baltimore, MD; Washington, D.C.

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$260,021.02

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$260,021.02

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 15

No. of delegates who were completely self-funded: 2

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Southern China Cold Chain RTM for private sector representatives from the cold chain and food supply chain logistics sector. The delegation, which was led by the Guangdong Cold Chain Association, participated in policy/standards development meetings, demonstrations of U.S. cold chain technologies, and business development meetings with U.S. companies.

Turkey Gas Transit and Trading Hub RTM

Dates: October 21 - November 1, 2017

Locations: Houston, TX; Port Arthur, TX; Erath, LA; Lafayette, LA; Washington, D.C.

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$291,920.31

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$291,920.31

No. of delegates whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 15

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Turkey Gas Transit and Trading Hub RTM to support the development of a gas transit and trading hub in Turkey. The RTM familiarized 15 representatives from Turkey's energy sector with the model of the Henry Hub in Erath, Louisiana and its potential applicability to their proposed hub. Delegates were introduced to advanced U.S. technologies and services in the gas sector, positioning U.S. companies for potential commercial opportunities.

U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership: Airports Technologies RTM

Dates: October 22-28, 2017

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Atlanta, GA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$123,237.57

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$194,194.29

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 15

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Brazil Airports Technologies RTM as part of the 3rd phase of the U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership to familiarize Brazilian aviation officials and executives with a range of U.S. technologies and services for airport operations used in the U.S. The activity included visits to Washington, D.C. and Atlanta, GA and covered subjects such as airport surface technologies, aviation regulations, airport information systems, communications technology, and systems integration.

The U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership was launched in 2012 by USTDA, the U.S. Department of State, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Transportation Security Administration, together with Brazil's Ministry of External Relations. The Partnership facilitates bilateral cooperation in areas such as airport expansion, airspace management, safety and security. These programs support Brazil's aviation infrastructure development priorities, while connecting U.S. companies to the growing business opportunities in the sector.

Regional Sub-Saharan Africa Fast Power RTM

Dates: October 29 - November 4, 2017

Locations: Glastonbury, CT; Philadelphia, PA; Cincinnati, OH; Houston, TX

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$209,414.80

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$209,414.80

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 10

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 7

USTDA hosted the Regional Sub-Saharan Africa Fast Power RTM to encourage the implementation of fast-track and emergency power projects in select Sub-Saharan African markets. The RTM introduced public and private sector delegates from Angola, Benin, Mozambique, and Nigeria to U.S. fast power technologies and services, as well as financing options to support fast-track and emergency power generation projects.

Regional Latin America and the Caribbean Energy Efficiency and Power Generation Technologies for Airports RTM

Dates: October 30 - November 7, 2017

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Denver, CO; San Francisco, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$176,180.69

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$271,515.20

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 6

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

USTDA's Energy Efficiency and Power Generation Technologies for Airports RTM showcased U.S. energy efficiency and power generation technologies applicable to major airports in Latin America and the Caribbean. Improving energy infrastructure will help airport operators to maintain quality and reliability of service while also reducing operating expenses. The visit offered commercial opportunities for a wide range of U.S. equipment and services related to energy efficiency and power generation.

Intelligent Transportation System Opportunities for Argentina, Dominican Republic, and Panama RTM

Dates: November 5-15, 2017

Locations: Washington D.C.; San Francisco, CA; Houston, TX

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$186,669.72

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$186,669.72

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 12

No. of delegates who were completely self-funded: 1

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Opportunities for Argentina, Dominican Republic, and Panama RTM to introduce delegates to U.S. technologies applicable to urban and highway transportation projects. Implementation of ITS technologies will maximize the efficiency, safety, and affordability of the countries' traffic management initiatives. The visits offered commercial opportunities for a wide range of U.S. ITS technologies and equipment.

China New Technologies for Cold Chain: Pharmaceutical Safety RTM

Dates: November 5-15, 2017

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Baltimore, MD; New Brunswick, NJ

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$239,096.72

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$239,096.72

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 14

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the New Technologies for Cold Chain: Pharmaceutical Safety RTM for a delegation of Chinese logistics professionals to learn about U.S. technologies and best practices for cold chain technologies supporting the safe storage and transport of pharmaceuticals. The delegation visited U.S. refrigeration systems manufacturers, related cold storage components, specialized accessory suppliers, and retailers, among other organizations.

Nigeria Fiber Optic Cable and Broadband Information and Communications Technologies RTM

Dates: November 26 - December 8, 2017

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Wilmington, NC; Charlotte, NC; San Francisco, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$278,389.60

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$278,389.60

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 12

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 3

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 3

USTDA hosted the Nigeria Fiber and Broadband Technologies RTM for 12 Nigerian government and high-level executives from information and communications technology (ICT) companies. In pursuit of Nigeria's goal to increase broadband internet access by 30% by the end of calendar year 2018, the delegation visited U.S. cities to learn about U.S. ICT and broadband technologies and services, as well as policies, regulations, and financing mechanisms that can support the implementation of fiber optic deployment and broadband services in Nigeria.

Mexico City New International Airport Infrastructure and Operations RTM

Dates: December 4-9, 2017

Locations: Atlanta, GA; San Diego, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$150,331.07

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$150,331.07

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

USTDA hosted the Mexico City New International Airport Infrastructure and Operations RTM to introduce delegates from Grupo Aeroportuario de la Ciudad de Mexico, S.A. de C.V., the concessionaire for the new international airport in Mexico City, to U.S. equipment, technologies, and best practices related to airport development, operation, and management.

Global Procurement Initiative: Procurement Assistance Program for Brazil Phase I – National Workshop

Dates: December 7-15, 2017

Location: Brasilia, Brazil

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$236,413.73

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$262,443.70

No. of participants whose meal expenses were paid by USTDA: 90

No. of speakers whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 1

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 8

USTDA provided 90 Brazilian government officials with access to world-class procurement experts, including leaders from the George Washington University's Government Procurement Law Program and technical specialists in life-cycle cost analysis, through a three-day workshop on Obtaining Value in Public Procurement. The goal of the Global Procurement Initiative (GPI) is to provide partner countries with the support they need to structure sound infrastructure tenders that can foster sustainable economic growth and level the playing field for greater competition.

U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership: Airports Technologies Workshop in Brasilia

Dates: December 14-15, 2017

Location: Brasilia, Brazil

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$82,360.19

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$133,638.24

No. of participants who were completely self-funded: 80

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Airports Technologies Workshop in Brasilia as part of the 3rd phase of the U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership to provide a platform for Brazilian and U.S. aviation decision-makers to discuss the countries' advances and future plans for airport compliance, certification, and safety as well as airport planning, design, and improvement.

The U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership was launched in 2012 by USTDA, the U.S. Department of State, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Transportation Security Administration, together with Brazil's Ministry of External Relations. The Partnership facilitates bilateral cooperation in areas such as airport expansion, airspace management, safety and security. These programs support Brazil's aviation infrastructure development priorities, while connecting U.S. companies to the growing business opportunities in the sector.

China Food and Drug Administration Executive Leadership Food Regulations Training Program #2

Dates: January 14-26, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Minneapolis, MN

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$194,038.90

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$440,283.00

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 25

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the China Food and Drug Administration Executive Leadership Food Regulations Training Program #2 for a delegation of officials from the China Food and Drug Administration to participate in site visits and meetings with U.S. counterparts regarding the U.S. food safety system. Delegates received training on U.S. best practices and case studies from universities, public partners, and industry experts.

India Refineries Performance Optimization RTM

Dates: January 17-24, 2018

Locations: Houston, TX; Chicago, IL

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$156,958.22

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$212,513.63

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 9

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the India Refineries Performance Optimization RTM, which brought representatives of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, as well as state-owned and private refinery operators, to the U.S. to meet with American providers of modern refining capabilities. This RTM helped Indian refiners identify solutions for improving refinery efficiency and productivity by showcasing proven best practices and technologies offered by leading U.S. firms in this sector.

China Liquefied Natural Gas and Gas Infrastructure RTM #1

Dates: January 24 - February 3, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Houston, TX; Lafayette, LA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$271,176.84

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$317,309.00

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 15

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 6

USTDA hosted the China Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) and Gas Infrastructure RTM #1 that brought delegates from China's Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) and public and private gas buyers to the United States to introduce U.S. best practices and technologies in LNG exports and gas-related equipment and services.

Global Procurement Initiative: Procurement Assistance Program for Brazil Phase II – National Study Tour

Dates: January 29 - February 7, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Boston, MA; San Francisco, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$256,298.39

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$257,771.61

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 15

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted a delegation of high-level Brazilian government officials to the United States to share best practices on innovative, value-based mechanisms that can improve public procurement outcomes. The delegation received advanced training in life-cycle cost analysis, best value determinations, and risk management from experts from the George Washington University's Government Procurement Law Program. The delegation also visited U.S. government agencies and multi-lateral institutions and met with procurement officials to view case studies in value-based procurement.

Indonesia Marine Observation Infrastructure and Forecasting Technology RTM

Dates: February 18 - March 3, 2018

Locations: New Brunswick, NJ; Washington, D.C.; Denver, CO; Seattle, WA; San Diego, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$212,714.17

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$250,485.60

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 11

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 3

USTDA hosted the Indonesia Marine Observation Infrastructure and Forecasting Technology RTM to introduce representatives from Indonesia's meteorology and maritime sectors to state-of-the-art U.S. technologies and services, policies, regulations, and financing mechanisms to support the implementation of the Maritime Meteorological System in Indonesia. The RTM aimed to support U.S. private sector participation in the development and implementation of advanced marine observation infrastructure and forecasting technologies in Indonesia.

East Africa Smart Grid RTM

Dates: February 26 - March 9, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Atlanta, GA; Houston, TX

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$215,086.48

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$272,321.30

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 12

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the East Africa Smart Grid RTM to support U.S. private sector participation in the implementation of smart grid projects in East Africa. Specifically, the RTM introduced project developers and government decision makers from Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, and Uganda to U.S. electricity distribution technologies and services, as well as policies, regulations, and financing mechanisms that can support the implementation of smart grid projects in East Africa. The RTM also introduced U.S. suppliers of technologies and services to market, project development, and procurement opportunities in East Africa's electricity distribution sector.

China LNG and Gas Infrastructure RTM #2

Dates: March 17-29, 2018

Locations: Houston, TX; Washington, D.C.

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$205,749.28

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$316,600.50

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 13

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 6

USTDA hosted the China LNG and Gas Infrastructure RTM #2 that brought representatives of China's National Energy Administration (NEA) as well as public and private gas buyers to the U.S. for a visit to introduce U.S. best practices and technologies in LNG exports and gas-related equipment and services.

China Fuel Efficient and Safe Technologies for Heavy-Duty Vehicles (HDVs) RTM

Dates: March 19-23, 2018

Locations: Atlanta, GA; Louisville, KY; Indianapolis, IN; Los Angeles, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$248,355.36

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$412,269.20

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 12

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Fuel Efficient and Safe Technologies for Heavy-Duty Vehicles (HDVs) RTM that brought delegates from China's Ministry of Transport (MOT) and key Chinese transportation fleet companies to the U.S. to introduce them to U.S. technologies and advanced components to improve the safety and fuel efficiency of heavy-duty vehicles.

India Smart Solutions for Smart Cities RTM #2

Dates: March 19-23, 2018

Locations: Boston, MA; Pittsburgh, PA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$ \$173,624.19

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$229,771.10

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 6

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

This second RTM of USTDA's Smart Solutions for Smart Cities Program connected officials from the state of Uttar Pradesh to U.S. best practices and technologies to improve connectivity, create efficiencies, and enhance safety. The RTM program supported the growing U.S.-India bilateral engagement on smart cities and focused on energy, transportation, and information communications technology (ICT) sector solutions available from U.S. companies as well as best practices adopted and deployed in several U.S. urban and metropolitan regional settings.

Intelligent Transportation System Opportunities for Brazil RTM

Dates: April 8-18, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Houston, TX; San Francisco, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$287,142.61

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$304,267.35

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 10

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Opportunities for Brazil RTM to introduce delegates to U.S. technologies applicable to urban and highway transportation projects. Implementation of ITS technologies will maximize the efficiency, safety, and affordability of the countries' traffic management initiatives. The visits offered commercial opportunities for a wide range of U.S. ITS technologies and equipment.

Coal-Fired Power Emissions Control Technologies for Turkey, South Africa, and Romania RTM

Dates: April 11-20, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Kansas City, MO; Chicago, IL

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$200,885.56

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$280,347.60

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 16

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

USTDA hosted the Global Coal-Fired Power Emissions Monitoring and Control RTM, which brought representatives of power companies and regulators from Turkey, South Africa, and Romania to the U.S. for site visits and meetings with U.S. companies, industry associations, and regulators. The objective of the RTM was to showcase U.S. equipment, technologies and best practices for emissions monitoring and control at coal-fired power plants.

Global Procurement Initiative: Workshop for Maharashtra, India

Dates: April 22-27, 2018

Location: Mumbai, India

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$178,542.35

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$240,111.10

No. of participants whose meal expenses were paid by USTDA: 114

No. of speakers whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 1

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA provided over 100 Indian government officials with access to world-class procurement experts, including leaders from the George Washington University's Government Procurement Law Program and technical specialists in life-cycle cost analysis, through a three-day workshop on Obtaining Value in Public Procurement. The goal of the Global Procurement Initiative (GPI) is to provide partner countries with the support they need to structure sound infrastructure tenders that can foster sustainable economic growth and level the playing field for high-quality infrastructure investments.

South Africa Smart Cities RTM

Dates: May 1-10, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; New York City, NY; Silicon Valley, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$182,066.33

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$270,345.60

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 11

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

USTDA hosted the South Africa Smart Cities RTM, which introduced a delegation of representatives from South Africa's Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) sector to U.S. ICT technologies and services, policies, regulations, and financing mechanisms to support the implementation of smart city projects in South Africa. The RTM included a business briefing and meeting with U.S. equipment manufacturers and software providers.

U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership: Airport Security Technologies RTM

Dates: May 6-11, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Boston, MA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$176,401.47

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$194,904.89

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 12

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Airport Security Technologies RTM as part of the 3rd phase of the U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership to familiarize Brazilian aviation officials and executives with U.S. aviation security technologies and best practices. Delegates visited airport facilities in Washington, D.C. and Boston, MA to learn about U.S. intelligent threat detection systems used for purposes such as baggage X-Ray and computed tomography (CT) scanning and millimeter wave scanning.

The U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership was launched in 2012 by USTDA, the U.S. Department of State, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Transportation Security Administration, together with Brazil's Ministry of External Relations. The Partnership facilitates bilateral cooperation in areas such as airport expansion, airspace management, safety and security. These programs support Brazil's aviation infrastructure development priorities, while connecting U.S. companies to the growing business opportunities in the sector.

U.S.-India Aviation Summit

Dates: May 9-11, 2018

Location: Mumbai, India

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$ 302,413.00

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$388,477.18

No. of participants whose meal expenses were paid by USTDA: 205

No. of speakers whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 29

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the U.S.-India Aviation Partnership Summit in Mumbai, India, which included a two-day symposium, one day of site visits to airport facilities in the Mumbai area, and a meeting of the U.S.-India Aviation Cooperation Program (ACP). The sixth biennial U.S.-India Aviation Summit convened a high-level dialogue, featuring U.S. technical and regulatory expertise that can support India's rapidly growing aviation market. The discussions involved key issues related to aviation safety and security, standards harmonization, air traffic management and control, procurement practices, and airspace utilization throughout India.

The U.S.-India Aviation Cooperation Program was established in 2007 as a public-private partnership between USTDA, the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration, other US Government agencies and U.S. Companies. The ACP supports the growth of the Indian civil aerospace sector by working directly with the Government of India to identify and execute projects that encourage collaborations between U.S. and Indian stakeholders, in the area of aerospace technology and best practices.

Coal-Fired Power Emissions Control Technologies for India, Indonesia, and Vietnam RTM

Dates: May 14-23, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Pittsburgh, PA; Charlotte, NC

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$130,625.74

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$277,929.00

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 12

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

USTDA hosted the Global Coal-Fired Power Emissions Monitoring and Control RTM, which brought representatives of power companies and regulators from India, Indonesia, and Vietnam to the U.S. for site visits and meetings with U.S. companies, industry associations, and regulators. The objective of the RTM was to showcase U.S. equipment, technologies, and best practices for emissions monitoring and control at coal-fired power plants.

Latin America and the Caribbean-U.S. LNG Opportunities Program

Dates: May 19-26, 2018

Location: Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$175,544.10

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$312,468.30

No. of participants whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 11

No. of participants whose meal expenses were paid by USTDA: 17

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 3

USTDA's Latin American and the Caribbean-U.S. LNG Opportunities Program supported U.S. private sector participation in the implementation of LNG infrastructure in Latin America and the Caribbean. The program helped connect U.S. suppliers of LNG and LNG-related equipment and technologies to potential buyers in the region.

Global Procurement Initiative: Procurement Assistance Program for Brazil Phase I – State and Municipal Workshop

Dates: June 4-6, 2018

Location: Sao Paulo, Brazil

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$65,151.90

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$254,356.76

No. of participants whose meal expenses were paid by USTDA: 70

No. of speakers whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 1

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 3

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 7

USTDA provided 70 Brazilian state and municipal government officials with access to world-class procurement experts, including leaders from the George Washington University's Government Procurement Law Program and technical specialists in life-cycle cost analysis, through a three-day workshop on Obtaining Value in Public Procurement. The goal of the Global Procurement Initiative (GPI) is to provide partner countries with the support they need to structure sound infrastructure tenders that can foster sustainable economic growth and level the playing field for greater competition.

Global Small-Scale Gas Infrastructure RTM

Dates: June 20-29, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Houston, TX

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$92,753.10

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$252,221.50

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 10

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 3

USTDA hosted the Small-Scale Gas Infrastructure RTM that brought public officials and private sector decision-makers from Côte d'Ivoire, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Nigeria, and Turkey to the United States for meetings with U.S. businesses. Delegates attended the 27th World Gas Conference, had one-on-one meetings with U.S. businesses, participated in site visits, and discussed best practices and financing mechanisms that support small-scale gas infrastructure project implementation with U.S. experts.

Global Large-Scale Gas Infrastructure RTM

Dates: June 25 - July 3, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Houston, TX

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$98,375.90

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$260,193.90

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 13

No. of delegates who were completely self-funded: 1

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

USTDA hosted the Large-Scale Gas Infrastructure RTM that brought public officials and private sector decision-makers from Indonesia, Panama, South Africa, Turkey, and Vietnam to the United States for meetings with U.S. businesses. Delegates attended the 27th World Gas Conference, had one-on-one meetings with U.S. businesses, participated in site visits, and discussed best practices and financing mechanisms that support large-scale gas infrastructure and LNG importation technology project implementation with U.S. experts.

Natural Gas Market Development and Regulatory Framework in the United States Workshop

Dates: July 18-20, 2018

Location: Washington, D.C.

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$47,521.30

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$218,273.00

No. of participants whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 22

No. of participants whose meal expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

No. of participants who were completely self-funded: 1

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 3

USTDA hosted the Natural Gas Market Development and Regulatory Framework in the United States Workshop, which included discussion on U.S. and Mexico natural gas markets, energy integration, regulatory frameworks, and issues needed to develop domestic natural gas markets and mobilize investment. This workshop was a part of the Central America Gas Opportunities Technical Symposia Program, a USTDA-organized activity that included the U.S. Department of State, The U.S. Agency for International Development, the Energy Secretariat of Mexico and the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation. The goal of the Technical Symposium Program was to encourage U.S. private sector participation in the implementation of gas-related infrastructure in Latin America and the Caribbean, particularly in Central America.

U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership: Airport Security Workshop in Brasilia

Dates: July 28 - August 4, 2018

Location: Brasilia, Brazil

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$22,150.74

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$124,630.54

No. of participants who were completely self-funded: 100

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Airport Security Workshop in Brasilia as part of the 3rd phase of the U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership to provide a platform for Brazilian and U.S. aviation officials and executives to discuss Brazilian and U.S. advances and future plans to address airport security, current security policy, and practices in both countries. The multi-day workshop included sessions on airport perimeter and facility physical security, cargo and passenger screening, and threat identification and monitoring.

The U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership was launched in 2012 by USTDA, the U.S. Department of State, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Transportation Security Administration, together with Brazil's Ministry of External Relations. The Partnership facilitates bilateral cooperation in areas such as airport expansion, airspace management, safety and security. These programs support Brazil's aviation infrastructure development priorities, while connecting U.S. companies to the growing business opportunities in the sector.

Regional Latin America and the Caribbean Energy Efficiency and Power Generation Technologies for Ports RTM

Dates: July 30 - August 7, 2018

Locations: Charleston, SC; Savannah, GA; Los Angeles, CA; San Diego, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$112,641.20

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$271,663.70

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 7

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

USTDA's Energy Efficiency and Power Generation Technologies for Ports RTM showcased U.S. energy efficiency and power generation technologies applicable to major ports in Latin America and the Caribbean. Improving energy infrastructure will help port operators maintain quality and reliability of service while also reducing operating expenses. The visit offered commercial opportunities for a wide range of U.S. equipment and service providers related to energy efficiency and power generation.

Brazil Passenger Rail Safety and Efficiency Technologies RTM

Dates: August 5-15, 2018

Locations: San Francisco, CA; Washington, D.C.

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$174,002.65

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$194,992.65

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 11

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Brazil Passenger Rail Safety and Efficiency Technologies RTM to familiarize Brazilian government and private sector representatives with U.S. technologies and practices that will improve the safety, logistics, and energy efficiency of Brazil's passenger rail systems. This RTM included site visits and meetings with relevant U.S. rail service providers, U.S. equipment and technology suppliers, financing entities, and U.S. transportation officials.

Global Procurement Initiative: Procurement Assistance Program for the Dominican Republic Phase I – Workshop

Dates: August 6-10, 2018

Location: Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$39,196.80

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$294,562.40

No. of participants whose meal expenses were paid by USTDA: 100

No. of speakers whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 1

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 4

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 7

USTDA provided 100 government officials from the Dominican Republic with access to world-class procurement experts, including leaders from the George Washington University's Government Procurement Law Program and technical specialists in life-cycle cost analysis, through a three-day workshop on Obtaining Value in Public Procurement. The goal of the Global Procurement Initiative (GPI) is to provide partner countries with the support they need to structure sound infrastructure tenders that can foster sustainable economic growth and level the playing field for greater competition.

Honduras Natural Gas Infrastructure RTM

Dates: August 13-17, 2018

Locations: Houston, TX; Washington, D.C.

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$75,617.00

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$222,064.00

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 10

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Honduras Natural Gas Infrastructure RTM, which brought representatives from Honduras' energy secretariat, regulator, and electric utility company to meet with U.S. natural gas and LNG suppliers, plant operators, technology providers, manufacturers, and service providers. The visit focused on project planning and infrastructure solutions for small- to medium-scale gas terminals and power generation facilities. The RTM also featured meetings with U.S. businesses, site visits, and in-depth discussions of best practices and financing mechanisms that support small- and medium-scale gas infrastructure project implementation.

Brazil Cargo Rail Safety and Efficiency Technologies RTM

Dates: August 19-30, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; San Francisco, CA

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$280,894.05

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$291,359.50

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 10

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Brazil Cargo Rail Safety and Efficiency Technologies RTM to familiarize Brazilian government and private sector representatives with U.S. technologies and practices that will improve the safety, logistics, and energy efficiency of Brazil's cargo rail systems. This RTM included site visits and meetings with relevant U.S. rail service providers, U.S. equipment and technology suppliers, financing entities, and U.S. transportation officials.

U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership: Air Traffic Management Technologies Workshop

Dates: August 21-22, 2018

Location: Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$69,119.11

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$131,002.54

No. of participants who were completely self-funded: 125

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Air Traffic Management (ATM) Technologies Workshop in Rio de Janeiro as part of the 3rd phase of the U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership to provide a platform for Brazilian and U.S. aviation officials and executives to discuss a wide range of topics within airspace and air traffic management, ranging from technical topics such as airspace planning and design to managerial issues such as communications and decision-making. The workshop focused on effectively and safely managing increased air traffic in Brazil.

The U.S.-Brazil Aviation Partnership was launched in 2012 by USTDA, the U.S. Department of State, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Transportation Security Administration, together with Brazil's Ministry of External Relations. The Partnership facilitates bilateral cooperation in areas such as airport expansion, airspace management, safety and security. These programs support Brazil's aviation infrastructure development priorities, while connecting U.S. companies to the growing business opportunities in the sector.

China New Technologies for Airports RTM #1

Dates: September 8-21, 2018

Locations: Washington, D.C.; Dallas, TX

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$167,019.97

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$399,943.60

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 18

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 2

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 6

USTDA hosted the first China New Technologies for Airports RTM, which brought senior airport officials from the Airports Division of the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC) and local airports to the United States for a two-week visit to familiarize them with U.S. technologies and solutions related to emergency preparedness and response and smart and efficient airports. The RTM allowed U.S. companies to meet with the delegation and learn about upcoming project opportunities.

2018 China Healthcare Executive Leadership Training Program #1

Dates: September 16-30, 2018

Locations: New York, NY; Chicago, IL

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$34,960.80

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$391,612.67

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 26

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 5

USTDA hosted the Healthcare Executive Leadership Training Program to introduce U.S. best practices and technologies to Chinese healthcare leaders in the areas of healthcare management and graduate medical education. The training program familiarized delegates with U.S. regulations, systems and standards, management best practices, U.S. equipment and technologies, quality patient care, safety regulations, and other best practices to modernize and improve Chinese healthcare and hospital administration.

Natural Gas Project Planning, Procurement, and Financing Workshop

Dates: September 17-19, 2018

Location: Panama City, Panama

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$54,227.80

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$227,132.00

No. of participants whose event expenses were fully or partially paid by USTDA: 27

No. of participants whose meal expenses were paid by USTDA: 6

No. of participants who were completely self-funded: 1

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 6

USTDA hosted the Natural Gas Project Planning, Procurement, and Financing Workshop, which provided in-depth sessions on assessing project feasibility, internationally competitive procurement processes, and project finance planning and sources. The delegation also visited Panama's first natural gas-fired generation facility, a 350 MW combined-cycle plant developed by the U.S.-based AES Corporation's local subsidiary, AES Panama. This workshop is a part of the Central America Gas Opportunities Technical Symposia Program, a USTDA-organized activity that included the U.S. Department of State, The U.S. Agency for International Development, the Energy Secretariat of Mexico and the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation. The goal of the Technical Symposium Program was to encourage U.S. private sector participation in the implementation of gas-related infrastructure in Latin America and the Caribbean, particularly in Central America.

India Energy Storage and Smart Grid RTM

Dates: September 27 - October 5, 2018

Locations: San Francisco, CA; Washington, D.C.

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$55,011.50

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$227,983.50

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 11

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of contractor personnel whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 3

USTDA hosted the Energy Storage and Smart Grid RTM to promote U.S.-India engagement in the energy storage and smart grid sectors. The visit facilitated discussions among U.S.-India energy industry and government representatives on problems, solutions, and developments in energy storage and smart grid. The RTM familiarized Indian electric utility executives with U.S. practices, technologies, and advancements in the smart grid and energy storage sectors through site visits and meetings with U.S. companies.

Senegal and Mauritania LNG Infrastructure RTM

Dates: September 30-October 10, 2018

Locations: Houston, TX; Washington, D.C.

Event expenses paid through FY 2018: \$164,798.72

Final cost of event will not exceed: \$325,000.00

No. of delegates whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 13

No. of USTDA employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 1

No. of non-USTDA USG employees whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 3

No. of contractor personnel (including interpreters) whose event expenses were paid by USTDA: 7

USTDA hosted the Senegal and Mauritania LNG Infrastructure RTM to support U.S. private sector participation in the implementation of LNG infrastructure development in Senegal and Mauritania. The RTM introduced project developers and government decision-makers from both countries to U.S. LNG technologies and services, as well as policies, regulations, and financing mechanisms that can support the implementation of LNG projects in Senegal and Mauritania.