Top 10 barriers to international markets by SMEs

- 1. Shortage of working capital to finance exports.
- 2. Identifying foreign business opportunities.
- 3. Limited information to locate/analyze markets.
- 4. Inability to contact potential overseas customers.
- 5. Obtaining reliable foreign representation.
- 6. Lack of managerial time to deal with internationalization.
- 7. Inadequate quantity of and/or untrained personnel for internationalization.
- 8. Difficulty in managing competitor's prices.
- 9. Lack of home government assistance/incentives.
- 10. Excessive transportation/insurance costs.