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# Industries lobby hits at

**T**HE Confederation of Tanzania Industries (CTI) has described erratic power and water supply, as well as corruption, bad roads and multiple taxation as barriers to trade.

The CTI Executive Director, Ms Christine Kilindo, said late Friday that the impediments to trade must be removed swiftly to make the country's economy remain healthy.

Ms Kilindo was speaking at the launch of "Business Leader

Perceptions on the Investment Climate in Tanzania - 2011" which highlights water as a new problem in business.

CTI, the Voice of Industry, is a private sector association whose main objective is to advocate for an enabling business climate within which Tanzania's businesses can become competitive.

"Competitive businesses are key to national wealth creation: they generate employment and pay taxes that are essential for economic development. We are

not alone in our endeavour of advocating for a conducive business climate," she said.

She noted it was the reason for teaming up with two other business organisations: the Tourism Confederation of Tanzania (TCT) and VIBINDO to advocate for their constituents to do their businesses with ease and affordable cost.

The Business Leaders Perceptions Report that is produced to capture specifically the views of the Tanzanian business community also points

out to the difficulty of doing business, highlighting power, roads, water and corruption as hindrances to the ease of doing business, among other challenges.

There are other reports that carry the same message: doing business in Tanzania is not easy.

She said the National Steering Committee on the Implementation of the Roadmap for Improving the Investment and Business Environment in Tanzania which was estab-

lished in 2010 led to improvements, particularly the port.

In October 2011, some private sector associations, including CTI and TCT were co-opted into the Committee.

But she noted that achievements could be reversed, with the return of some ships at the port of Dar es Salaam such that some shipping companies are avoiding the port altogether while others are imposing charges for calling at Dar es Salaam port.