Q1 Respondent: CZECH REPUBLIC

Q2 About you

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Q3 Do you have an Aid-for-trade strategy? Yes

Q4 If yes, please indicate your Aid-for-Trade priorities: Below are listed the most common priority areas grouped according to broad Aid-for-Trade categories. Please rank the top 5 priority areas among the ones listed below. (1 being the most important)

- Connecting to value chains: 2
- Export diversification: 4
- International competitiveness: 5
- Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port): 1
- Other priority areas including: MSMEs, Women’s economic empowerment, Youth, etc. (please specify): 3

Please specify further the priorities that you selected above as well as the main problems/obstacles encountered in furthering them and provide a weblink to the relevant strategy.

Q5 If no or unsure, does your development policy include trade priorities? Yes
If yes, please indicate the trade priorities in your development policy. Below are listed the most common priority areas grouped according to broad Aid-for-Trade categories. Please rank the top 5 priority areas among the ones listed below. (1 being the most important)

Export diversification 2
International competitiveness 1
Network infrastructure (power, water, telecommunications) 2
Services development 3
Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port) 2

Has your Aid-for-Trade strategy, or trade priorities in your development policy, changed since 2016? No

If yes, please rank the top 3 drivers of these changes :(Please choose no more than 3 options)

Respondent skipped this question

Have these changes been reflected in your dialogue with partner countries and development institutions?

Respondent skipped this question

Please provide names, titles, references or weblinks to policy documents relevant to Aid for Trade in your country.

Aid for Trade Strategy (2016)

Is economic diversification a priority in your development or Aid-for-Trade strategy? Unsure

What are the main constraints to economic diversification identified that your development or Aid-for-Trade strategy seek to address? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Inadequate network infrastructure (power, water, telecommunications)

Limited industrial or manufacturing capacity

Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)
Q13 Please indicate in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing you provide aid-for-trade support for economic diversification. (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do receive support)

- Trade policy and administrative management
- Transport and storage infrastructure
- Communications infrastructure,
  Trade development (Including investment promotion, analysis and institutional support for trade in services, business support services and institutions, public-private sector networking, e-commerce, trade finance, trade promotion, market analysis and development)
- Agriculture,
- Mineral resources and mining

Q14 Does the aid-for-trade support you provide for economic diversification align with partners’ priorities as established in their national or regional trade and development strategy(ies)?

Yes

Q15 Has the aid-for-trade support you provide in economic diversification recorded progress in partner countries since the launch of the Aid-for-Trade initiative in 2006?

Yes

Q16 If yes please specify, in which area(s): (You may tick more than 1 box)

- Export diversification
- Structural transformation,
  Industrialization, including manufacturing value added

Q17 If yes, please also indicate in which sector(s): (You may tick more than 1 box)

- Industry,
- Services
Q18 In which category(ies) of Aid for Trade is the support you provide impactful for economic diversification? (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Trade policy and administrative management
- Transport and storage infrastructure
- Communications infrastructure,
- Business support services,
- Agriculture,
- Mineral resources and mining

Q19 What factors contribute to the success of the aid-for-trade support you provide for economic diversification? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities
- Coordination among donors
- Mobilization of domestic private investment
- Services capacity

Q20 What factors may limit the success of the aid-for-trade support that you provide for economic diversification? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors.)

- Failure to mobilize domestic private investment
- Poor national/regional coordination

Q21 Does the Aid for Trade you provide help mobilize other forms of development finance for economic diversification in partner countries (i.e. non-concessional financing, foreign direct investment, remittances, trade finance, etc.).

Unsure

Q22 To which partner country(ies) or territory(ies) do you provide aid-for-trade financing for economic diversification? (You may tick more than 1 box)

- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Ethiopia,
- Georgia,
- Moldova,
- Mongolia,
- Myanmar,
- Philippines,
- Zambia
Q23 Through which channels do you provide aid-for-trade financing for economic diversification? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Bilateral programmes

Q24 With which South-South partner(s) do you partner to offer financing for economic diversification? (You may tick more than 1 box or leave all boxes unticked if you do not partner with any)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q25 Looking ahead, in which sectors do you anticipate future support for economic diversification to be required? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Agriculture,
Industry,
Services

Q26 Looking ahead, in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing do you anticipate that you will continue to provide aid-for-trade support for economic diversification. (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Trade policy and administrative management,
Transport and storage infrastructure,
Business support services,
Agriculture,
Industry,
Mineral resources and mining

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Q27 Is there any Aid for Trade project or programme for economic diversification that you would like to showcase as an example of best practice? (Please provide additional information and include weblinks as relevant)

Burma (Myanmar) 2018: Technical assistance in raw materials for ceramic and glass industry assessment. Overall objective is to improve and optimize current utilization of raw materials needed in ceramic and glass industries for export.

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Q28 Is economic empowerment a priority in your aid-for-trade and development strategy?

Yes,
If yes, please provide additional information on how economic empowerment is prioritized in your aid-for-trade and development strategy:
  in a general way
  only

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Q29 For which groups does your aid-for-trade strategy seek to promote economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Micro, Small and Medium Sized Enterprises

Q30 Does your aid-for-trade or development strategy propose any indicators to track economic empowerment or include any targets to achieve?

No

Q31 Does your aid-for-trade or development strategy link economic empowerment in partner countries to their participation in international trade?

No

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Q32 Please indicate in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing you provide support for Aid for Trade for economic empowerment. (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Trade policy and administrative management
Transport and storage infrastructure
Communications infrastructure
Energy supply and generation infrastructure
Trade development (Including investment promotion, analysis and institutional support for trade in services, business support services and institutions, public-private sector networking, e-commerce, trade finance, trade promotion, market analysis and development)
Agriculture

Q33 Does the aid-for-trade support you provide for economic empowerment align with the empowerment priorities established in partner countries national or regional trade and development strategy(ies)?

Yes, additional information on how the aid-for-trade support you provide for economic empowerment aligns with the empowerment priorities established in partner countries national or regional trade and development strategy(ies): provided the strategy in partner country exists

Q34 Is women's economic empowerment a priority in your development or aid-for-trade strategy?

No

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Q35 In your view, how best can Aid for Trade make a contribution to women's economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Improving access to global value chains
- Improving digital connectivity
- Supporting the growth and economic development of women
- Supporting the growth and economic development of Youth
- Upgrading business skills

Q36 What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support women's economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Trade education/training,
- Communications infrastructure,
- Trade development (Including investment promotion, analysis and institutional support for trade in services, business support services and institutions, public-private sector networking, e-commerce, trade finance, trade promotion, market analysis and development.)
- Travel and tourism

Q37 What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting women's economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Country ownership,
- Mobilization of domestic private investment
- Services capacity

Q38 In your view, how best can Aid for Trade make a contribution to the economic empowerment of MSMEs. (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Providing access to finance
- Supporting the growth and economic development of Youth
- Upgrading business skills,
- Improving access to foreign markets
- Improving access to global value chains
- Improving digital connectivity
Q39 What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support the economic empowerment of MSMEs? (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Respondent skipped this question

Q40 What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting the economic empowerment of MSMEs? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Country ownership,
- Good digital and ICT connectivity
- Good trade-related infrastructure
- Mobilization of domestic private investment
- Services capacity

Q41 In your view, how best can Aid for Trade contribute to Youth economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Providing access to finance
- Supporting the growth and economic development of Youth
- Upgrading ICT skills
- Improving access to global value chains
- Improving digital connectivity

Q42 What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support Youth economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Respondent skipped this question

Q43 What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting Youth economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities
- Country ownership,
- Good digital and ICT connectivity
- Good trade-related infrastructure
- Services capacity

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**Q44** In your view, can Aid for Trade make a contribution to the achievement of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda?

Yes,
Please provide a weblink to the relevant national strategy or policy document in which SDGs are referred to:
Strategic Framework Czech Republic 2030

**Q45** If yes, please specify which Sustainable Development Goal or Goals (SDGs) Aid for Trade can help to achieve. (You may tick more than 1 box)

Sustainable Development Goals:

1. No poverty
2. Zero hunger,
7. Affordable and clean energy
9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure
10. Reduce inequalities

**Q46** Which partner country(ies) or custom territory(ies) are the main recipients of the aid-for-trade financing you provide for economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Bosnia and Herzegovina,
Ethiopia,
Georgia,
Moldova,
Mongolia,
Myanmar,
Philippines

**Q47** Through which channels do you provide aid-for-trade financing for economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Bilateral programmes

**Q48** With which South-South partner(s) do you partner with to provide aid-for-trade financing for economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box or leave all boxes unticked if you do not partner with any)

Respondent skipped this question
Q49 Looking ahead, in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing do you anticipate that you will continue to provide aid-for-trade support for economic empowerment. (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Business support services
- Agriculture
- Trade policy and administrative management
- Trade education/training
- Transport and storage infrastructure
- Industry
- Mineral resources and mining
- Other trade related needs

Q50 Is there any Aid for Trade project or programme for economic empowerment you would like to showcase as particularly important or as an example of best practice? (Please provide any relevant additional information and include weblinks as relevant)

Philippines (2018): Expert assistance in analysis of supply chains of the Philippine dairy industry. Project helps key players (farmers, processors, distributors, government institutions etc.) to be prepared and to know how to use and optimize inputs such as materials, money, machines, manpower etc.

Q51 Please provide any additional information. (Please reference in the form or weblinks, document symbols, including to evaluations of projects or programmes)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q52 CONSULTATION (Other ministries/agencies consulted in preparing this questionnaire reply):

Ministry of Foreign Affairs