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Q1**CZECH REPUBLIC**

Respondent (Donor country or headquarters location in the case of Organizations)

Q2

About you

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Q3**Yes**

Does your Aid-for-Trade or development strategy, policy or plan include trade priorities (i.e., Aid-for-Trade priorities)?

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Q4

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

Building productive capacity	1
E-commerce	4
MSMEs growth and development	2
Services development	3
Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)	5

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Q5 **No**

Have your Aid-for-Trade priorities changed since 2019?

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Q6 **Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, please identify the top drivers of change in your Aid-for-Trade priorities from the list below: (Please select no more than 5 options from the areas listed below).

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Q7 **Same**

Has Aid for Trade become a more or less important part of your development policy since 2019?

Q8 **Respondent skipped this question**

Have these changes been reflected in your dialogue with development partners?

Q9 **Yes,**
Additional information on your development or aid strategy, policy or plan for economic recovery post COVID-19 pandemic. (Please provide weblinks as applicable).:
within humanitarian aid

Do you have a specific development or aid strategy, policy or plan for economic recovery post COVID-19 pandemic?

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Q10 **Agricultural sector, food production and supply chain support**

If yes, please indicate whether your strategy, policy or plan for economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic addresses any of the following areas: (You may tick more than one box).

Poverty reduction objectives,
Preparedness, recovery and resilience

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Q11

Please provide names, titles, references or weblinks to policy documents relevant to your Aid-for-Trade activities and action.

<https://www.mpo.cz/cz/zahranicni-obchod/podpora-exportu/projekty-rozvojove-spoluprace-aid-for-trade/>

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Q12

Is the environmental dimension of sustainable development reflected in your development or aid policy document(s), plan(s) or strategy(ies)?

Yes,

Additional information on how sustainable development is reflected in your development or aid policy document(s), plan(s) or strategy(ies). (Please provide weblinks as applicable):

Environmental dimension is one of crosscutting principles of Czech development strategy 2018-30

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Q13

If yes, please indicate in which of your strategy(ies), policy(ies) or plan(s) sustainable development is reflected:(You may tick more than one box).

Aid-for-Trade or development strategy, policy or plan,**Environmentally sustainable growth strategy, policy or plan**

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Q14

Does your Aid-for-Trade or development strategy, policy or plan explicitly target any of the following environment-specific goals? (You may tick more than one box).

Respondent skipped this question**Q15**

Does your sustainable development strategy, policy, or plan include trade objectives?

Yes

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Q16

If yes, do the trade objectives address the environmental dimension of sustainable development?

Yes

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Q17

As a donor, do you have coordination or dialogues with developing countries' national committees, ministries of trade and agencies on sustainable development?

Unsure,

Additional information on how the Ministry of Trade is represented in your coordination or dialogue held with developing countries' national committee committees, ministries of trade and agencies on sustainable development.:

contacts through Czech Embassies

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Q18

Respondent skipped this question

If yes, do these dialogues address the environmental dimension of sustainable development?

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Q19

Please identify the economic sector(s) in your developing and least-developed partner countries that would gain the most in terms of economic and export diversification as a result of the move to sustainable development? (You may tick more than 1 box).

Agriculture,
Mining,
Industry,
Services

Q20

Please identify the economic sectors that may face the biggest challenge from the move to sustainable development. (You may tick more than 1 box).

Agriculture,
Mining,
Industry,
Services

Q21

In your view, what challenges constitute the main obstacles to the transition towards sustainable development in developing and least-developed partner countries?(You may tick more than 1 box).

Access to finance,
Dependence on a narrow basket of goods and services
,
Domestic political challenges (e.g., security and stability)
,
Existing energy and power generation infrastructure,
Existing transport infrastructure,
Gender inequality,
Lack of human resource capability,
Limited agricultural processing capacity,
Limited economic and export diversification,
Low productive capacity in manufacturing,
Slow, expensive or insufficient digital connectivity,
Lack of technology and innovation enabling environment

Q22

Please highlight the main challenges that Aid for Trade should address to support a transition to sustainable development? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Access to finance,
Dependence on a narrow basket of goods and services
,
Economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic,
Existing energy and power generation infrastructure,
Existing transport infrastructure,
Gender inequality,
Lack of human resource capability,
Limited agricultural processing capacity,
Limited economic and export diversification,
Low productive capacity in manufacturing,
Slow, expensive or insufficient digital connectivity,
Lack of technology and innovation enabling environment

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Q23

No

Do your Aid-for-Trade or development strategies include a circular economy strategy, policy, plan or objectives?

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Q24

Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which economic sectors does the circular economy strategy, policy, plan or objectives cover?(You may tick more than 1 box).

Q25

Respondent skipped this question

If yes, does the circular economy strategy, policy, plan or objectives include trade goals?

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Q26

Yes

Is digital connectivity reflected as a priority in your sustainable development strategy, policy, or plan?

Q27**No**

Do you have an Aid-for-Trade strategy, policy or plan for digital connectivity (including digital economy, e-commerce, etc.)?

Q28**Industry,
Services**

In which sectors could digital connectivity best support the transition to sustainable development?(You may tick more than 1 box).

Q29**E-commerce,
E-government,
E-logistics,
Transport information systems**

Please identify which issues where digital connectivity would offer most promise in the move to sustainable development?(You may tick more than one box).

Q30

Yes,
Additional information on Aid-for-Trade projects for digital connectivity towards sustainable development, environmentally sustainable growth or circular economy that you want to showcase as an example of best practice. (Please provide weblinks as applicable).:
2021 Bosnia and Herzegovina „Improvement of customer services of SMEs through Czech know-how transfer in the field of modern technologies and automated communication“ Within the project a modern automated communication technology device called „Chatbot“ was established. This way the needed know-how and equipment was transferred to the Foreign Trade Chamber of Bosnia and Herzegovina in order to help to improve performance and services of local small and medium sized enterprises.

Is there an existing Aid-for-Trade project for digital connectivity towards sustainable development and/or environmentally sustainable growth (or circular economy) that you want to showcase as an example of best practice?

Q31**Unsure**

Do you agree that the COVID-19 pandemic has acted as an accelerator for the move to digital economy in your developing and least developed partner countries?

Q32**Insufficient or uneven internet coverage,
Poor access to internet services,
Poor digital skills and IT literacy,
Rules relating to e-commerce need updating**

In which areas has the COVID-19 pandemic exposed shortcomings in digital connectivity?(You may tick more than one box).

Q33

Looking ahead, in which sectors do you think future Aid-for-Trade support should focus so as to support sustainable development objectives? (You may tick more than 1 box).

Agriculture,
Mining,
Industry,
Services

Q34

Looking ahead, in which categories of Aid for Trade do you think support should be focused so as to advance the environmental dimension of sustainable development?(You may tick more than 1 box).

Multilateral trade negotiations,
(b) 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)
,
(d) Building productive capacity,
(a) Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards)
,
(c) Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)
,
Transport and storage infrastructure,
Energy supply and generation infrastructure,
Building productive capacity,
Agriculture,
Industry,
Mineral resources and mining,
Travel and tourism,
(e) Trade related adjustment (Including supporting developing countries to put in place accompanying measures that assist them to benefit from liberalized trade)

Q35

To which developing and least-developed partner countries do you provide Aid-for-Trade financing for the environmental dimension of sustainable development ? (You may tick more than one box).(You may tick more than 1 box).

Bosnia and Herzegovina,**Ethiopia,****Georgia,****Moldova,****Mongolia,****Zambia****Q36**

Please identify the South-South and Triangular cooperation partners you work with in order to provide financing for sustainable development.(You may tick more than 1 box).

Respondent skipped this question**Q37**

Is there an Aid-for-Trade project or programme for sustainable trade or development, green growth or circular economy that you want to showcase as an example of best practice?

2020 - 2021 Georgia „Knowledge transfer, capacity building and implementation of separate collection and sorting of municipal waste in the city of Batumi“

Smaller waste sorting machine was installed in the city of Batumi in Georgia. The device is able to sort old paper and plastic and the same type of machine can be used in other parts of the country. The aim is to help Georgia to build proper circular economy and sustainable environmental protection.

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Q38

Do you implement policies that address the environmental dimension of sustainable development and that also support progress on gender equality and/or women's economic empowerment?

Unsure**Q39**

Do you implement Aid-for-Trade projects that combine the objectives of women's economic empowerment and environmentally sustainable development?

Unsure**Q40**

Any other information you wish to share? (e.g., where support for sustainable trade or development is needed).

Respondent skipped this question

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Q41

Is women's economic empowerment included as an objective in your development or Aid-for-Trade strategy(ies), policy(ies) or plan(s)?

Yes,

Additional information on how women's economic empowerment is included as an objective in your Aid-for-Trade strategy(ies) policy(ies) or plan(s).:

This is a crosscutting priority in the Czech development cooperation strategy 2018-30

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Q42

If yes, please indicate the strategy, policy, or plan in which women's economic empowerment is included: (You may tick more than one box).

Aid-for-Trade or development strategy, policy or plan,

Additional information on the strategy(ies), policy(ies) or plan(s) that include women's economic empowerment. (Please include weblinks as applicable).:

https://www.mzv.cz/jnp/en/foreign_relations/development_cooperation_and_humanitarian/development_cooperation_strategy_of_the_1.html

Q43

Do the strategy(ies), policy(ies) or plan(s) that you have identified seek to ensure non-discrimination with respect to conditions of employment or occupation (including through the provision of flexible work arrangements)?

No

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Q44

Does your government collect/institution data on women's economic empowerment in relation to trade and development?

No**Q45**

In your view, what trade and development constraints do women face the most?(You may tick more than one box).

Difficulties accessing financial services,**Gender pay gap,****Lack of access to digital services,****Informal employment,****Seasonal employment,****Smaller sized business,****Unpaid care and domestic work,****Unpaid employment****Q46**

Can Aid for Trade play a role in addressing these constraints?

Yes

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Q47

No

Have you provided Aid for Trade to finance projects for women's economic empowerment during the period 2015-2020?

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Q48

Respondent skipped this question

If yes, please provide further information on the countries in which you have provided Aid-for-Trade programmes on women's economic empowerment.

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Q49

Respondent skipped this question

Please specify the areas that your Aid-for-Trade projects for women's economic empowerment sought to address:(You may tick more than one box).

Q50

Respondent skipped this question

Have you used public-private partnerships to achieve your Aid-for-Trade objectives in relation to women's economic empowerment?

Q51

Respondent skipped this question

Does Aid for Trade help to mobilize funds for women's economic empowerment?

Q52

Respondent skipped this question

Are your Aid-for-Trade projects involving women's economic empowerment underpinned by a monitoring and evaluation/ results framework?

Q53

Respondent skipped this question

Does the Aid-for-Trade support for women's economic empowerment that you provide align with your partners' trade priorities and objectives?

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Q54

Respondent skipped this question

Do women face particular difficulties in accessing digital technologies?

Q55

Respondent skipped this question

Please identify the top 5 barriers that prevent women from accessing digital technology:(You may tick a maximum of 5 boxes).

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Q56

Industry,
Services

Looking ahead, in which trade sectors do you think future support for women's economic empowerment should be focussed?(You may tick more than 1 box).

Q57

Looking ahead, in which Aid-for-Trade categories do you think future support for women's economic empowerment should be focussed?(You may tick more than 1 box).

(b) 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)
,
(d) Building productive capacity,
(c) Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)
,
Communications infrastructure,
Business and other services,
Building productive capacity,
Travel and tourism

Q58

Respondent skipped this question

You may use the box below to elaborate on how you think that Aid for Trade can advance women's economic empowerment.

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Q59

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

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
