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Page 3: SECTION A: DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION PRIORITIES

Q3 Yes

Do you have development cooperation strategy(ies) or policy(ies)?

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If yes, does your development cooperation strategy(ies) or policy(ies) include trade priorities? Explanatory notes: For example, the UK's policy paper on international development published in May 2022 states that the UK will support countries to increase their exports, increase trade with the UK, build sustainable and resilient global supply chains that benefit all, and tackle market distorting practices and economic policies. The policy paper outlines various ways in which these trade priorities will be advanced.

#### Yes,

If yes, please provide further details including hyperlinks to relevant documents containing trade priorities.:

Currently, the key policy document on the development assistance in Russia is the Russian State Concept on International Development Assistance of April 20, 2014 (in the edition of the Decree of the President of the Russian Federation from 13.03.2023 N 161, hereinafter – the Concept). http://www.kremlin.ru/acts/bank/49007 Russian State Concept on International Development: 1) envisages the promotion of trade and economic cooperation with the recipient States and the improvement of conditions for trade and investment activities in such states; 2) on a bilateral basis, stipulates the active involvement of the recipient States in international trade.

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Q5 Yes

Does your development cooperation strategy(ies) or policy(ies) have a thematic focus?

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If yes, please choose options from the non-exhaustive list of thematic options of key strategic objectives below. (If an objective(s) do not appear in the drop-down list, please tick other and add details in the text box. Please tick all relevant boxes.)

# DEVELOPMENT WITH SPECIFIC ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS:

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Expansion of the manufacturing sector,

Expansion of the digital economy,

Infrastructure development,

Innovation and technological development,

Human capital development (e.g. education through skills, training and health)

,

Trade integration,

Employment creation,

Institutional strengthening (e.g. good governance, transparency and accountability)

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Social protection,

Promotion of peace/security and development,

Climate change adaptation,

Environmental protection,

Sustainable resource management,

Food security,

DEVELOPMENT WITH SPECIFIC SOCIAL CHARACTERITICS:

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Climate change mitigation,

DEVELOPMENT WITH SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS:

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Q7 No

Do the trade priorities found in your development plan or strategy include partner country specific development objectives or targets? Explanatory notes: For example, the International Trade Centre's Strategic Plan for the period 2022-2025 contains several targets, including: to support 75,000 micro, small and medium sized enterprises, 1,200 business support organizations and develop at least 400 trade-related policies, strategies and regulations (depending on the level of funding received).

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Respondent skipped this question

If yes, choose options from the non-exhaustive list of options of key strategic objectives found in your development strategies/plans.(If an objective(s) or target\* do not appear in the list below, please tick other and add details in the text box. Please tick relevant boxes).

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Q9 No

Do you have a separate trade and development policy or strategy (e.g. an Aid for Trade strategy) ?Explanatory notes: For example, the European Union published an updated Aid-for-Trade strategy in 2017 and has published annual progress reports on the strategy's implementation.

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Q10 Respondent skipped this question

Do the priorities, themes and sectoral objectives found in your Aid-for-Trade programming align with the trade priorities found in your development strategy(ies)?

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Q11 Yes

Does your development cooperation policy or Aid-for-Trade strategy include objectives or targets for partner countries?

If yes, please tick relevant boxes and provide further details, including hyperlinks to relevant documents. If no. please indicate in the text box under the question choices whether there is another trade and development cooperation strategy or policy that includes specific objectives or targets.

## Other (please specify),

Additional information on objectives or targets for partner countries included in your development cooperation policy or Aid-for-Trade strategy. Please include hyperlinks to relevant documents::

The objectives of the Russian Federation's State Policy in the Area of International Development Assistance are as follows: - eliminating poverty and promoting sustainable socio-economic development of recipient States, including post-conflict States; - promoting regional economic integration; - promoting trade and economic cooperation with recipient States; - promoting effective public administration based on the rule of law and respect for human rights in recipient states, encouraging the governments of such states to independently resolve emerging problems; - supporting international efforts and initiatives to improve the transparency, quality and effectiveness of international development assistance. and actively participating in the development of common approaches to the implementation of agreed solutions in this area.

Q13 No

Do you have targets in other development strategies that may have trade priorities or influence your Aid-for-Trade financing? Explanatory notes: For example, USAID's climate strategy for the period 2022-2030 includes six targets that have relevance for overall trade cooperation and development policy. These targets include: mitigating 6 billion tons of CO2 equivalent; conserving, restoring or managing 100 million hectares or natural ecosystems; enabling improved climate resilience for 500 billion people; mobilizing USD 150 billion in public and private climate finance; supporting 80 countries; increasing equitable engagement with 40 country partnerships.

Page 12: SECTION C: SECTORAL AND REGIONAL OBJECTIVES

Q14 No

Does your development cooperation or Aid-for-Trade strategy include sectoral objectives? Explanatory notes: For example, one sectoral focus of Korea's International Cooperation Agency development cooperation strategy is promoting the mainstreaming of science, technology and innovation in ODA projects by establishing its Science, Technology and Innovation Mid-Term Strategy (2021-2025). The goal to support inclusive growth based on science and technology by improving the innovation system of partner countries. Korea's strategy also focuses on education, health, governance, agriculture and rural development, energy, water, transportation, climate change and gender equality.

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## Q15 Respondent skipped this question

If yes, please tick relevant boxes and provide further details, including hyperlinks to relevant documents. If no, please indicate if there is another development cooperation strategy or policy that includes specific objectives or targets. (Please tick relevant boxes.)

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O16 Yes

Does your development cooperation or Aid-for-Trade strategy include regional objectives? Explanatory notes: For example, the New Zealand's Aid Programme has a particular focus on the Pacific Islands region.

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## Q17 Other (please specify),

If yes, please identify the relevant economic community(ies):(Please tick relevant boxes.)

Additional information on relevant economic communities::

- The Eurasian Economic Union - The Commonwealth of Independent States

#### Page 16: SECTION D: FINANCING TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION

Q18 No

Do you have priority areas in which you provide Aid-for-Trade support?

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Respondent skipped this question

If yes, please identify the priority areas of Aid for Trade in which you are actively providing support\*.(Please tick relevant boxes.)--\* If you would like to indicate climate change related priorities, please tick related boxes below (e.g. energy supply and generation infrastructure) and add relevant notes in the text box. Likewise for gender equality, please tick the relevant boxes (e.g. trade development) and add a note in the comment box.

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## Q20

Which financing instruments do you use to implement your trade and development cooperation (i.e. Aid-for-Trade) priorities? For example, the Swiss economic development cooperation strategy for 2021-24 promotes innovative private-sector initiatives and the mobilisation of private resources. In this regard, the Swiss Investment Fund for Emerging Markets (SIFEM) is a central instrument and focuses on four business lines: access to finance (including fintech, MSMEs and gender), infrastructure financing, integration in value chains and corporate social responsibility. For example, Development Alliance Korea (DAK) is Korea's first and largest innovation Public-Private Partnership platform joined by government, the private sector, civil society, and academia, with aim of achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).Please provide information in the box below:

According to the Article 11 of the Russian State Concept on International Development assistance, international development assistance shall be provided on a bilateral and multilateral basis in the following forms:

a) on a bilateral basis:

- allocation of targeted financial grants of provision of goods or services to the recipient States on a free-of-charge basis;
- provision of concessional loans to the recipient States;
- provision of debt relief, including through the use of debt-for-development programs, subject to the debtor's undertaking to use freed resources for the socio-economic development of the recipient State;
- making targeted contributions for the implementation of international programs using the capabilities of international organizations and providing other assistance;
- b) on a multilateral basis:
- payment of mandatory and voluntary contributions to the budgets of international organizations of the UN system, to other international organizations and international financial institutions, international and global funds.

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## Q21

Is there a form of aid, finance or other financial assistance for trade that you are seeking to expand? If so, is there an accompanying strategy to leverage this source of finance ?For example, the U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) is the newest U.S. government agency, launched in December 2019 with a mandate to partner with the private sector to finance solutions to the most critical challenges facing the developing world while advancing America's foreign policy goals abroad. The DFC offers loans, loan guarantees, equity investments, political risk insurance, technical assistance, and feasibility studies to drive significant amounts of private capital into challenging developing markets to address local needs.

#### Other (please specify),

Additional information on forms of aid, finance, or other financial assistance for trade that you are seeking to expand, and on accompanying strategies to leverage finance::

Unsure

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## **Q22**

## Respondent skipped this question

What difficulties do you face in mobilizing financing to implement your Aid for Trade and development cooperation (i.e. Aid-for-Trade) objectives? (Please tick relevant boxes.)

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**Q23** 

Are you providing an increasing share of Aid for Trade in the form of loans and a declining share of grants?

Other (please specify): Estimation required

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**Q24** 

Respondent skipped this question

If yes, does this situation present a challenge for your partner countries?

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Q25 No

Do you plan to stop providing Aid for Trade? Has a date been set to achieve this objective? (e.g. a date to stop providing foreign aid?)

## Page 24: SECTION E: ALIGNMENT OF AID-FOR-TRADE SUPPORT

## **Q26**

How well aligned is the Aid-for-Trade support you provide with the trade priorities of partner countries and regional organizations?

#### Other (please specify),

Please specify if this is an official perspective or the personal opinion of the respondent::

More detailed information on the criteria to determine the scale of "alignment" is required.

## Q27 Other (please specify)

What challenges do you encounter in aligning the Aid-for-Trade support you provide with the sectoral financing needs of partner countries and regional organizations? (Please tick relevant boxes.)

Page 25: SECTION F: OUTCOMES AND IMPACTS OF AID-FOR-TRADE SUPPORT

Does your development cooperation strategy include a monitoring or results framework?

## Yes, for the development cooperation strategy

#### **Q29**

Do you align your monitoring and evaluations activities with the monitoring or results framework of partner countries?

#### Other (please specify),

Additional information on whether you align your monitoring and evaluation activities with the monitoring or results framework of partner countries::

Yes, evaluation of the activities' effectiveness shall be carried out in cooperation with relevant authorities of the recipient States.

## Q30

Do you measure the impacts of the Aid-for-Trade support you provide?

Yes

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#### Q31

If yes, where is Aid for Trade having a measurable impact in your opinion? (Please select relevant boxes.)

## Unsure,

Additional information where Aid for Trade is having a measurable impact::

It depends on the specific partners and programs.

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Q32 No

Is there an Aid-for-Trade project or programme that you would like to highlight as an example of best practice?

## Page 28: SECTION G: FUTURE AID-FOR-TRADE NEEDS

## **Q33**

Do you foresee a continued need to provide Aid-for-Trade financing?

#### Other (please specify),

Additional information on whether you foresee a continuing need to provide for Aid-for-Trade financing::

Yes, to address development priorities linked to trade in accordance with the Russian State Concept on International Development Assistance

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## Q34

## Respondent skipped this question

If yes, please identify the categories of Aid-for-Trade support in which you foresee future needs.(Please select relevant boxes.)

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Q35 Yes

Do you foresee future need for Aid for Trade to support the achievement of trade-related aspects of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals Agenda ?Explanatory notes: For example, the Government of Canada works with partners and stakeholders to advance the 2030 Agenda through concrete actions on the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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## Q36

If yes, please indicate which SDGs are referenced in your development cooperation or Aid-for-Trade strategy. (Please select relevant boxes.)

Additional information on SDGs referenced in your development cooperation or Aid-for-Trade strategy::

Russian State Concept on International Development Assistance states that the UN 2030 Agenda is taken into account when implementing the development assistance policy.

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Q37 Respondent skipped this question

Do you foresee future needs for Aid-for-Trade to support the trade-related aspects of climate change?