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Q3 Does your national development strategy include trade priorities ? (i.e. Aid-for-Trade priorities)

Unsure

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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)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q5 Have your Aid-for-Trade priorities changed since 2016?

Unsure,
Please specify further the priorities that you selected above, as well as the main problems/obstacles encountered in furthering them. Please include a weblink to the relevant strategy.:
The national strategy is being revised

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Q6 If yes, please rank the top 3 drivers of these changes :(Please choose no more than 3 options)

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Have these changes been reflected in your dialogue with development partners?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q8 Please provide names, titles, references or weblinks to policy documents relevant to Aid for Trade in your country.

The national development strategy is currently being revised however the following documents outline Barbados' priorities with three of our donor partners

<http://idbdocs.iadb.org/wsdocs/getdocument.aspx?docnum=39681705>

<https://www.caribank.org/publications-and-resources/resource-library/country-strategies/country-strategy-paper-barbados-2015-2018>

https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/national-indicative-programme-barbados-2014-2020_en

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Q9 Is economic diversification a priority in your national or regional development strategy?

Unsure,

If yes, please provide additional information (including as to how economic diversification is defined and measured):
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Q10 What are the main constraints to economic diversification identified in your national or regional development strategy?(You may tick more than 1 box)

High input costs ,

Limited access to trade finance ,

Limited agricultural production capacity ,

Limited customs and other border agency capacity ,

Limited e-trade readiness,

Limited inward foreign direct investment ,

Limited industrial or manufacturing capacity ,

Poor international competitiveness,

Small domestic market

Q11 Please indicate in which of category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing you receive 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)

Multilateral trade negotiations ,

Trade education/training,

Additional information on which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing you receive aid-for- trade support for economic diversification.:

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Q12 Does the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification align with the priorities established in your national or regional trade and development strategy(ies)?

Unsure,

Additional information on how the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification aligns with the priorities established in your national or regional trade and development strategy(ies).:

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Q13 Has your government recorded progress in economic diversification since the launch of the Aid-for-Trade initiative in 2006?

Unsure

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Q14 If yes, please specify in which area(s):(You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

Q15 If yes, please also indicate in which sector(s): (You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q16 In which category(ies) of Aid for Trade is the support you receive impactful for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Trade education/training

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Q17 What factors contribute to the success of the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

Unsure

Q18 What factors may limit the success of the aid-for-trade support you receive 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 ,
Inability to leverage foreign direct investment ,
Poor national/regional coordination,
Resources dedicated to the project or programme too low

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Q19 Does the Aid for Trade you receive help mobilize other forms of development finance for economic diversification (i.e. non-concessional financing, foreign direct investment, remittances, trade finance, etc.).

Yes,
 Additional information on how Aid for Trade received helps mobilize other forms of development finance for economic diversification.:
 Though trade was not the specific focus of the loan the government of Barbados received a loan from the IMF that allowed the country to access funding from the IDB and the CDB.

Q20 Which development partner(s) are the most important source of aid-for-trade financing for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box)

European Union,
Germany,
Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) ,
EU Institutions,
Global Environment Facility (GEF) ,
Inter-America Development Bank (IDB) ,
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) ,
World Trade Organization (WTO) ,
Other (please specify) ,

Additional information on the development partners that are important sources of aid-for-trade financing for economic diversification.:

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Q21 Which South-South partner(s) are the most important source of financing for your economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Chile*,
China,
Israel*,
Mexico*,
South Korea*,
Malaysia,
Brazil,
Cuba,
Singapore

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Q22 Looking ahead, in which sector(s) will future support for economic diversification be most required? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Agriculture,
Industry,
Services,
Fisheries

Q23 Looking ahead, in which category of aid-for-trade financing do you think that your government will require 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 ,
- Trade facilitation, ,
- Multilateral trade negotiations ,
- Trade education/training, ,
- Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical 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) ,
- Business support services, ,
- Banking and financial services ,
- Building productive capacity ,
- Fishing, ,
- Industry, ,
- Travel and tourism ,
- Trade related adjustment (Including supporting developing countries to put in place accompanying measures that assist them to benefit from liberalized trade)

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Q24 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)

none

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Q25 Is economic empowerment a priority in your national or regional development strategy?

Unsure,

If yes, please provide additional information on how economic empowerment is prioritized in your national or regional strategy.:

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Q26 For which groups does your national or regional development strategy seek to promote economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Women's economic empowerment ,

Micro, Small and Medium Sized Enterprises ,

Youth economic empowerment

Q27 Does the national or regional development strategy propose any indicators to track economic empowerment or include any targets to achieve?

Unsure

Q28 Does the national or regional development strategy link economic empowerment to participation in international trade?

Unsure

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Q29 Please indicate in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing you receive aid-for-trade support for economic empowerment.(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Business support services

Q30 Does the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic empowerment align with the empowerment priorities established in your national or regional trade and development strategy(ies)?

Unsure,

Additional information on how the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic empowerment aligns with the empowerment priorities established in your national or regional trade and development strategy(ies).:

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Q31 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 information ,
- Improving access to foreign markets ,
- Improving access to global value chains ,
- Improving digital connectivity ,
- Providing access to finance ,
- Supporting the elaboration of gender-sensitive policies ,
- Upgrading business skills

Q32 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,
- Business support services,
- Banking and financial services ,
- Building productive capacity

Q33 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)

- Capacity to draft funding applications ,
- Donor interest in specific projects/programmes ,
- Good digital and ICT connectivity ,
- Services capacity,
- Sufficient funding and appropriate implementation timelines

Q34 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 ,
 Upgrading business skills,
 Upgrading ICT skills ,
 Improving access to foreign markets ,
 Improving access to global value chains

Q35 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)

Business support services,
 Banking and financial services ,
 Building productive capacity ,
 Agriculture,
 Trade facilitation,
 Energy supply and generation infrastructure ,
 Travel and tourism

Q36 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)

Capacity to draft funding applications ,
 Good digital and ICT connectivity ,
 Good trade-related infrastructure ,
 Mobilization of domestic private investment ,
 Services capacity,
 Sufficient funding and appropriate implementation timelines

Q37 How best can Aid for Trade make a contribution 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 business skills,
 Upgrading ICT skills ,
 Improving access to information

Q38 What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support to Youth 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 related adjustment (Including supporting developing countries to put in place accompanying measures that assist them to benefit from liberalized trade.)

Q39 What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting to Youth economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

Good digital and ICT connectivity ,
 Institutional capacity to implement projects ,
 National/regional coordination

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Q40 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.:
 The national Strategy is being revised

Q41 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:

- 5. Gender equality ,
- 7. Affordable and clean energy ,
- 8. Decent work and economic growth ,
- 9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure ,
- 10. Reduce inequalities ,
- 12. Responsible consumption and production ,
- 17. Partnership for the goals

Q42 Which donor(s) are now the most important source aid-for-trade financing for your economic empowerment.(You may tick more than 1 box)

European Union,
Germany,
United Kingdom,
United States,
Caribbean Development Bank (CDB),
EU Institutions,
Global Environment Facility (GEF),
Inter-America Development Bank (IDB),
International Monetary Fund (IMF),
International Trade Centre (ITC),
World Bank,
World Trade Organization (WTO),
Other (please specify),
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP),

Additional information on the donor(s) are the most important source of aid-for-trade financing for your economic empowerment.:

UNCTAD and Organisation of American States (OAS)

Q43 Which South-South partner(s) are the most important source of financing for your economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Chile*,
China,
Israel*,
Mexico*,
South Korea*,
Malaysia,
Brazil,
Cuba,
Singapore

Q44 Looking ahead, in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing do you think that further support for economic empowerment will be required. (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Business support services,

Banking and financial services ,

Building productive capacity ,

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).

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Trade policy and administrative management ,

Trade facilitation,

Multilateral trade negotiations ,

Trade education/training,

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.)

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Industry,

Travel and tourism ,

Trade related adjustment (Including supporting developing countries to put in place accompanying measures that assist them to benefit from liberalized trade.)

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Q45 Please provide any additional information that you think may be relevant. (Please references in the form or weblinks, document symbols etc.)

The Barbados Economic Recovery and Transformation (BERT) Plan is the Government of Barbados' plan that has been accepted under the IMF Programme. Under the IMF programme the Barbados Government has certain obligations to fulfill. This plan is expected to place the country on a growth path.

Q46 Is there any Aid for Trade project or programme for economic empowerment you would like to showcase as particularly important for your country or as an example of best practice?(Please provide any relevant additional information and include weblinks as relevant)

No.

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Q47 CONSULTATION (Other ministries/agencies consulted in preparing this questionnaire reply):

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