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

Yes

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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)

Export diversification	5
Industrialization	4
Network and/or transport infrastructure of a cross border nature	1
Services development	3
Trade facilitation	2
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.	<p>1. cross-border network and/or transport infrastructure: is to have quality infrastructure that will contribute to the strengthening of trade between Gabon and the rest of the world. 2. trade facilitation: is to be consistent with the principles of the multilateral system to facilitate trade. 3. development of services: this is in order to contribute to the GDP and job creation. 4. industrialisation: the aim is to enhance the value of Gabon's subsoil resources in order to generate more income and spinoffs for the national economy. 5. export diversification: consists in the transformation of a cash economy based on raw materials (hydrocarbons, wood, mines) into a value-added and diversified economy.</p> <p>Source: Gabon Emerging Strategic Plan, Study on the Competitiveness and Diversification of Gabon's Exports, World Bank, Study on the Diversification of Gabon's Economy, African Development Bank</p>

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

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

Expansion of domestic services sectors and/or trade in services	3
Industrialization objectives	2
New national development strategy	1

Q7 Have these changes been reflected in your dialogue with development partners? **Le participant a ignoré la question**

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

Gabon Vision 2025 <http://visiongabon.com/our-masterplan/>

- * Emerging Gabon Strategic Plan
- * National Infrastructure Director Scheme
- * Gabon Industrial
- * Gabon Green Green
- * Gabon of Services
- * Human Development Strategy

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

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 e-trade readiness,**
- Limited inward foreign direct investment** ,
- Limited industrial or manufacturing capacity** ,
- Limited network and/or transport infrastructure of a cross border nature** ,
- Limited services capacity,**
- Limited standards compliance** ,
- Low levels of training and skills** ,
- 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) **Unsure**

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**

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) **Le participant a ignoré la question**

Q15 If yes, please also indicate in which sector(s): (You may tick more than 1 box) **Le participant a ignoré la 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) **Unsure**

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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) **Le participant a ignoré la question**

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.) **Le participant a ignoré la question**

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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.).

Unsure

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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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

Le participant a ignoré la question

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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,
Forestry,**

Additional information on the sector(s) that will require most support for economic diversification. :

Cross-border network infrastructure and transport, Services, Agriculture, Industry.

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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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

Yes

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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 ,

Additional information on the groups for which your national or regional developing strategy is seeking to promote economic empowerment. :

Men

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?

No

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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)

Unsure

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

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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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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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)

Improving the flow of goods at borders (Trade Facilitation)

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Providing access to finance

,

Supporting the growth and economic development of women

,

Improving digital connectivity

,

Improving the provision of services

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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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)

Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities

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Country ownership,

Good trade-related infrastructure

,

Institutional capacity to implement projects

,

Services capacity

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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 rural trade ,
 Upgrading business skills,
 Upgrading ICT skills ,
 Improving the provision of services

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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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)

Donor interest in specific projects/programmes ,
 Good digital and ICT connectivity ,
 Institutional capacity to implement projects ,
 National/regional coordination,
 Services capacity,
 Sufficient funding and appropriate implementation timelines

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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

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:

- 6. Clean water and sanitation ,
- 7. Affordable and clean energy ,
- 9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure ,
- 12. Responsible consumption and production ,
- 13. Climate action ,
- 17. Partnership for the goals

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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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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

Le participant a ignoré la question

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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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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.)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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)

Le participant a ignoré la question

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

Le participant a ignoré la question
