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Respondent (Country or Customs Territory)

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About you

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Q3 Yes

Do you have a national development plan or strategy? (ies)?

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If yes, does your national development plan or strategy(ies) include tradepriorities?

Yes,

If yes, please provide further details including hyperlinks to relevant documents containing trade priorities:: The new Green Recovery Focused National Development Plan 2023-2028 identified seven priorities for the private sector development and business growth under Pillar 3, Macroeconomic Stability and inclusive growth. This Pillar has three outcomes: macroeconomic stability (fiscal and monetary) for inclusive growth. Private Sector-Led Growth with enhanced Trade, inclusive and sustainable industrialization, Services, and Employment, and A competitive and diversified tourism sector contributing to overall Inclusive growth, job creation, and poverty reduction. Outcome 2, pillar three has the following seven prioritizes namely: Promote an environment that is favorable to business operation, Enhance Financial Inclusion, establish National Local Content Board, Act, Regulations, Policy, Strategy, and fund, Strengthen the National Quality Infrastructure for the Country, Promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization through the Development of Agro-poles, Industrial Parks and SEZs, Promotion of Employment and Decent Work, Strengthen Regional Integration for Economic Development. In addition to these three outcomes, trade and private sector development concerns are mainstreamed in all seven pillars of the GRF-NDP, particularly in the pillars of Agriculture, Fisheries, Natural Resources, Environment and Climate Change, and Energy, Infrastructure, and Connectivity

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Q5 Yes

Does your national development strategy(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) does not appear in the drop-down list, please tick other and add details in the text box.)

DEVELOPMENT WITH SPECIFIC ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS:

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Economic diversification,

Enhancing exports in non-traditional sectors,

Export diversification,

Expansion of the agriculture sector,

Expansion of the forestry sector,

Expansion of the fisheries sector,

Expansion of the manufacturing sector,

Expansion of the services sector,

Expansion of the digital economy,

Infrastructure development,

Trade integration,

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

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Climate change mitigation,

Climate change adaptation,

Expansion of the formal economy,

Expansion of the MSME sector,

Expansion of public-private partnerships,

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

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Preventing desertification,

Protection of biodiversity,

Higher labour productivity,

Employment creation,

Women's economic empowerment and gender equality

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Youth employment and skills,

Pollution control,

Environmental protection,

Sustainable resource management,

Waste management,

Circular economy,

Improved (national) environmental governance,

Inclusive growth, including (historically)
disadvantaged groups (add additional information in

2024 Aid for Trade Partner Country Questionnaire

text box if appropriate).

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Food security,

DEVELOPMENT WITH SPECIFIC SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

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DEVELOPMENT WITH SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS:

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Q7 Yes

Do the trade priorities found in your national development plan or strategy(ies) reflect specific development objectives or targets? For example, the national development plan of Benin aims to achieve a sustained, inclusive and sustainable growth of at least 10% by 2025.

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Q8

If yes, please choose options from the non-exhaustive list below. (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). Objectives & Targets*:

Other targets (e.g. digital connectivity, gender equality, renewable energy, circular economy, etc.)

Economic growth targets,

Poverty reduction targets

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Q9 Yes

In addition to the trade priorities you may have in your national development strategy, do you have trade priorities that are set out in other national policy documents or strategies?

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Q10

If yes, do you have a national trade policy or strategy, export development strategy or similar policy or strategy (e.g. national diagnostic trade integration study update, national e-commerce strategy etc.)?For example, Jordan has published a national export strategy for the period 2023-2025.

Yes,

(If yes, please provide further details, including dates the strategy covers and hyperlinks to relevant documents):: National Trade Policy 2018-2021 Diagnostic Assessment of Trade and Private Sector 2021-2026 The Gambia Trade Strategy and Industrial Development Policy 2019-2023 The Gambia National Policy for MSMEs 2019- 2024

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Q11 Yes

Do these other national policy documents or strategies include trade objectives or targets? For example, Ghana's National Export Development Strategy envisages that over a duration of 10 years non-traditional exports will grow from \$2.8 billion in 2020 to \$25.3 billion in 2029 accompanied by deep structural transformation that positions Ghana as a competitive export-led industrialized economy.

Q12

If yes, please chose options from the non-exhaustive list below. If an objective(s) does not appear in the list, please tick "other" and add details in the text box. If no, please indicate if there is another strategy or policy that includes specific objective of targets. Export growth targets,

Export diversification in terms of number of markets reached

Competitiveness ranking in global index,

Export diversification in terms of number of goods and services exported

Access to essential goods,

Reduction in import targets,

Forestry product export target,

Fishery products export target,

Manufactured export target,

Services trade export target,

MSME sector growth targets,

Trade facilitation targets (e.g. time taken to release),

Emissions reduction targets found in nationally

determined contributions**

Q13 Yes, in full

Do the trade priorities found in your national development strategy align with those found in other national policy documents or strategy(ies)?

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Q14 Yes

Do the trade objectives in your national development plan and/or those found in other national policy documents or strategies include sectoral objectives? For example, Vision 2030 Jamaica includes 31 Sector Plans (in 28 separate documents) prepared by Task Forces, comprising stakeholders from public and private sector bodies, civil society and international development partners). And Bhutan's National Export Strategy 2022 identifies the mineral and timber industries as holding potential for the development of value-added products.

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Q15 Agriculture,

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

Agriculture,

Forestry,

Fisheries,

Renewable energy,

Manufacturing sector,

MSME sector development,

Services (general),

Banking and financial services,

Business and professional services,

Communication services, including ICT,

Construction services,

Distribution services,

Energy services,

Tourism,

Transport services (air, land and maritime),

Cross-sectoral e-commerce and digital trade

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Q16 Yes

Does the trade objectives found in your national development plan or strategy(ies) and in other national policy documents or strategies include regional objectives? For example, the national development strategy of the Kyrgyz Republic for 2018-2040 includes, inter alia, the objective to work on harmonious integration of the Kyrgyz economy with the Eurasian Economic Union; active participation in regional projects that improve production and transit capacity; diversification of foreign economic focus of Kyrgyzstan through development of mutually beneficial trade, economic and investment cooperation with the countries of South and Southeast Asia, the Arab East and America.

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Q17

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

African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA),

Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)

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Q18 Yes

Does your government have priority areas for Aid for Trade for which it is actively seeking support?

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If yes, please indicate the relevant priority areas for Aid for Trade for which your government is actively seeking support. (Please tick relevant boxes)

Trade policy and administrative management,

Trade facilitation,

Trade education/training,

Trade-related Transport and storage infrastructure (e.g. port, dry port, inland container port, inland container depot, etc.)

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Trade-related Communications infrastructure,

Trade-related Energy supply and generation infrastructure

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Business support services,

Building productive capacity,

Agriculture,

Fishing,

Industry,

Travel and tourism,

Digital trade and e-commerce,

OTHER TRADE RELATED-NEEDS,

Additional information on priority Aid for Trade areas::

Trade and Climate financing for industrial development and agro-processing. We are also pursuing funding in regional value chain development for agro-food products and strengthening national quality infrastructure

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Q20 No

Have these priorities been communicated to Donors and South-South partners?

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Q21 Respondent skipped this question

If yes, please provide additional information on how priorities were communicated:

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Does your government face difficulties in financing implementation of the trade objectives found in your development plan or strategy(ies) or trade strategy?

Yes,

If yes, please identify which sources of aid finance or other financial assistance for trade that you would like to attract to achieve your trade objectives. (e.g. Official Development Assistance (i.e. Aid for Trade), Other Official Flows (loans at concessional rates that do not qualify as ODA), South-South co-operation, Climate finance, etc.)::

Trade and Climate Financing of Green Value Chain Development Loans at a Concessional rate for the establishment of a sustainable special economic Zone South-South Cooperation

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Q23 Yes

Do you face difficulties in accessing finance to address your Aid-for-Trade priorities?

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Q24

If yes, please choose options from the non-exhaustive list below. (If a difficulty in accessing aid for trade does not appear in the drop-down list, please tick other and add details in the text box.)

Lengthy approval processes related to loans,

High cost of borrowing,

Difficulties accessing grant finance,

Challenges engaging in public-private partnerships,

Domestic oversight constraints,

Limited ability to develop "bankable" projects

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Q25 Yes

Does your government face a situation where it is receiving an increasing share of Aid for Trade in the form of loans and a declining share of grants?

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Q26 Yes

If yes, does this situation present a challenge for your government to achieve its trade objectives?

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Q27 No

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

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Q28 Moderately aligned

How well-aligned is the Aid-for-Trade support you receive with your Aid-for-Trade priorities?

Q29

What challenges do you encounter in aligning the Aid-for-Trade support you receive with the sectoral level needs outlined in relevant policy documents? (Please tick relevant boxes) Difficulties associated with cross-sectoral approaches (e.g. e-commerce development)

Lack of South-South partner coordination,

Limited knowledge of recipient (i.e. developing country) needs and economic situation

Conditions required by development partners to access support

Length of project/programme funding cycles,

Human capacity constraints to developing bankable projects

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Q30 Yes, for the national development strategy

Do development financing partners (i.e. both donors and South-South partners) align their monitoring and evaluation with your national monitoring or results frameworks?

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Q31 No

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

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Q32 Respondent skipped this question

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

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Q33

Yes,

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

Additional information on best practice examples:: Cargo complex project supported by EIF Post Sustainability Support Project supported by EIF She Trade -Gambia Project, supported by ITC

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Q34 Yes

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

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Q35 Agriculture,

If yes, please tick all relevant boxes and provide further details including hyperlinks as relevant. (Please tick relevant boxes)

Forestry,

Fisheries,

Renewable energy,

Manufacturing sector,

MSME sector development,

Services (general),

Energy services,

Environment services,

Tourism,

Cross-sectoral e-commerce and digital trade

In which categories of Aid-for-Trade support do you foresee future needs?(Please tick relevant boxes)

Trade policy and administrative management,

Trade facilitation,

Regional trade agreements (RTAs),

Trade education/training,

Trade-related Transport and storage infrastructure (e.g. port, dry port, inland container port, inland container depot, etc.)

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Trade-related Energy supply and generation infrastructure

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Business support services,

Agriculture,

Forestry,

Fishing,

Industry,

Travel and tourism,

Digital trade and e-commerce

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Q37 Yes

Do you foresee future needs for Aid for Trade to support the achievement of trade-related aspects of the Sustainable Development Agenda?

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Q38 GOAL 1: No Poverty,

If yes, please indicate the relevant SDGs that Aid for Trade can help achieve.(Please tick relevant boxes)

GOAL 2: Zero Hunger,

GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth,

GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure,

GOAL 12: Responsible Consumption and Production,

GOAL 13: Climate Action,

GOAL 17: Partnerships to achieve the Goal,

GOAL 5: Gender Equality

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Q39 Yes

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