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GUATEMALA

Respondent (Country or Customs Territory)

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Q3

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

Yes,

Additional information on the trade (or Aid-for-Trade priorities) included in your national development strategy, policy or plan (or other trade-related policy document): Guatemala has an Integrated Foreign Trade Policy in place , whose purpose is to improve competitiveness; expand and diversify the exportable offer; as well as promote Foreign Trade and attract foreign direct investment.

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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).

Environmentally sustainable (or green) growth, including circular economy	5
Regional integration	1
Trade facilitation	2
Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)	4
Youth economic empowerment	3

Additional information and weblink(s) to the relevant strategy(ies), polic(ies) or plan(s) in which your Aid-for-Trade priorities are included.

These strategic areas seek to improve our level of competitiveness in the country, favor the expansion and diversification of the Guatemalan exportable supply, consolidate openness and access to international markets, and efficiently implement and manage existing trade instruments, and systematically and sustainably foreign trade opportunities in investments that Guatemala needs.

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Q5

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

No,

Additional information: please specify which of the priorities you selected are new and provide further information. (Please provide weblinks as applicable).: The priorities have not changed; however, if some have been added, such as the environmental sustainability of trade and the economy, within a framework of a possible circular economy; changes in the economy, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, have also caused changes in priorities for the development of trade in the country.

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Q6

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).

Respondent skipped this question

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Q7

Has Aid for Trade become more or less important to your government since 2019?

More

Q8

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

Yes,

Additional information on how changes in your Aid-for-Trade priorities may have been reflected in your dialogue with development partners.:
Through the Permanent Mission of Guatemala to the WTO in Geneva, Switzerland, the comments, positions and notifications of the country are transferred; including those issues that are relevant to the circular economy and sustainable development.

Q9

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

Yes,

Additional information on the specific national strategy, policy or plan for economic recovery post COVID-19 pandemic. (Please provide weblinks as applicable).:
The Ministry of Economy developed a strategic plan for economic recovery, to minimize the impact caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Q10

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).

Job creation,
MSME support,
Trade facilitation

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Q11

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

- Plan for Economic Recovery in Guatemala.
- General Government Policy 2020-2024.
- Country Development Cooperation Strategy 2020-2025.
- Guatemalan Economic Policy 2016-2021.
- Integrated Foreign Trade, Competitiveness and Investment Policy of Guatemala.

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Q12

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

Yes,

Additional information on how sustainable development is reflected in your national policy document(s), plan(s) or strategy(ies). (Please provide weblinks as applicable).:
The dimension of trade and sustainable development is reflected in the National Development Plan K'atun Nuestra Guatemala 2032. Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development.

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Q13 **National development strategy, policy or plan**

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

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Q14 **Sustainable Production and Consumption (SDG 12),
Climate Action (SDG 13),
Life Below Water (SDG 14),**

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

Additional information on the environment-specific goals and approaches such as financing, sharing of know-how, technology transfer (including sharing of know-how), promotion of value chain integration targeted by your national development strategy, policy or plan.:

The Development Plan focuses mainly on 5 axes: 1. Urban and rural Guatemala; 2. Welfare for the people; 3. Riches for everyone; 4. Natural resources for today and the future; and, 5. State guarantor of human rights and driver of development. These 5 axes encompass the aspects mentioned in this questionnaire, in relation to sustainable development, trade and care for the environment.

Q15 Does your national sustainable development strategy, policy, or plan include trade objectives?

Yes,
Additional information on the trade objectives found in your national development strategy policy, or plan that includes sustainable development. (Please provide weblinks as applicable).:
The objectives focus on economic development, productive activities to generate employment that allows the population to attend to their personal and family needs. Likewise, activities that generate competitiveness to reduce poverty and inequality, increasing resilience, incorporating more population groups into economic activities.

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Q16 Additional information on how sustainable development is reflected in your national policy document(s), plan(s) or strategy(ies). (Please provide weblinks as applicable).:
Does not apply

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

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Q17

Does your government have a national committee (or has coordination or dialogues across ministries and agencies) on sustainable development that includes the Ministry of Trade?

Yes,

Additional information on how the Ministry of Trade is represented in your national committee on sustainable development.:

The Ministry of Economy has established a National Committee for Trade and Sustainable Development, in which these types of issues are addressed. It is specifically oriented to the commitments and obligations consigned in the Commercial Agreements that Guatemala is part of.

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Q18

If yes, does that national committee address the environmental dimension of sustainable development?

Yes

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Q19

Please identify the economic sector(s) 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,**Fisheries,****Forestry,****Industry,****Services****Q20**

Please identify the sector(s) of your economy that may face the biggest challenge from the move to sustainable development. (You may tick more than 1 box).

Agriculture,**Mining,****Industry,**

Additional information on the sector(s) that may face the biggest challenge from the move to sustainable development.:

Agriculture has an impact on this issue due to the use of restricted pesticides; in mining, extraction methods and aquifer contamination; and the industry is affected by production subject to strict environmental regulations.

Q21

In your view, what challenges constitute the main obstacles to the transition towards sustainable development in your country?(You may tick more than 1 box).

Respondent skipped this question

Q22 **Access to finance,**
Economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic,
High concentration of economic activity in the
informal sector

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

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Q23 **Yes**

Do you have a circular economy strategy, policy, plan?

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Q24 **Respondent skipped this question**

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

Q25 **Respondent skipped this question**

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

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Q26 **Additional information on how digital connectivity is reflected in your national sustainable development strategy(ies), policy(ies) or plan(s):**
Does not apply

Is digital connectivity reflected as a priority in your national sustainable development strategy(ies), policy(ies), or plan(s)?

Q27 **Yes**

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

Q28 **Agriculture,**
Fisheries,
Forestry,
Mining,
Industry,
Services

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

<p>Q29</p> <p>Please identify which issues where digital connectivity would offer most promise in the move to sustainable development in your country?(You may tick more than one box).</p>	<p>Digital contents,</p> <p>E-civil service,</p> <p>E-commerce,</p> <p>E-government,</p> <p>E-healthcare,</p> <p>E-learning,</p> <p>E-logistics,</p> <p>Home energy management systems,</p> <p>Innovation and technology for gender equality,</p> <p>Real-time navigation,</p> <p>Smart energy grids,</p> <p>Smart motors,</p> <p>Smart work,</p> <p>Telepresence,</p> <p>Transport information systems</p>
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<p>Q30</p> <p>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?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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<p>Q31</p> <p>Do you agree that the COVID-19 pandemic has acted as an accelerator for the move to digital economy in your country ?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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<p>Q32</p> <p>In which areas has the COVID-19 pandemic exposed shortcomings in national digital connectivity?(You may tick more than one box).</p>	<p>Inadequate network infrastructure including broadband capacity</p> <p>’</p> <p>Insufficient or uneven internet coverage,</p> <p>Poor access to internet services,</p> <p>Slow, expensive or unreliable internet services</p>
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Q33

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

Agriculture,
Fisheries,
Forestry,
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).

Trade facilitation,
Trade education/training,
(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)

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Q35

Which donor(s) are the most important for Aid-for-Trade financing for the environmental dimension of sustainable development in your country? (You may tick more than 1 box).

European Union,
The Netherlands,
Inter-America Development Bank (IDB),
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP),
World Bank,
World Trade Organization (WTO),

Additional information on the donor(s) that are the most importance source of Aid-for-Trade financing for sustainable trade or development in your country.:
UNCTAD, USAID.

Q36

Which South-South partner(s) are the most important source of Aid-for-Trade financing for the environmental dimension of sustainable development?(You may tick more than 1 box).

Unsure,

Additional information on the South-South partner(s) that are important sources of financing for sustainable trade or development.:

It is unknown exactly from the list of countries mentioned, those that have a direct interference in trade cooperation and sustainable development for the country.

Q37

Have you received Aid-for-Trade financing as part of triangular co-operation projects?

Unsure

Q38

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?

The presentation of a project must be agreed with the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources -MARN-.

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Q39

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

Yes,

Additional information on whether you implement policies that address the environmental dimension of sustainable development while also supporting progress on gender equality /women empowerment. You may also provide information on your intention to draft such policies in the future. (Please include weblinks as applicable).:

The National Development Plan "K'atun, Our Guatemala 2032", constitutes the long-term national development policy, it is based on the SDGs. Among the activities of this plan are gender equality and the empowerment of women.

Q40

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

Yes,

Additional information on the Aid-for-Trade projects which combine the twin objectives of women's economic empowerment and environmental environmentally sustainable development. Please indicate the number of projects, the sector concerned (agriculture, fisheries, sustainable tourism, circular economy, etc.). (Please include weblinks as applicable):.

Economic Empowerment Project for Indigenous Youth and Women. Project duration (2018-2022), financed by the SWEDISH INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGENCY (SIDA). In the celebration of the Bicentennial of the independence of Guatemala, the Ministry of Economy awarded recognitions to women entrepreneurs from all over the country, for their dynamism and innovation in productive areas. https://cien.org.gt/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/onu-mujeres-con-correctaciones_25_5_2013.pdf

Q41

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

It is necessary to agree on this issue with the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources -MARN

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Q42

Is women's economic empowerment included as an objective in any of your national strategy(ies), policy(ies) or plan(s)?

Yes,

Additional information on how women's economic empowerment is included as an objective in your national policy documents.:

- Strategic Agenda for the Economic Empowerment of Women 2019 (Presidential Secretariat for Women - SEPREM-) • In Guatemala, the economic empowerment of indigenous women is an important factor for the country's economic recovery caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. • Guatemala Country Strategy 2020-2024 • National Development Plan K'atun, Our Guatemala 2032

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Q43

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

National export strategy, policy or plan,

National gender equality strategy, policy or plan,

Women's economic empowerment's strategy, policy or plan

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

Guatemala has support programs for women exporters. There is a union committee of the Guatemalan Association of Exporters -AGEXPORT-, which supports this initiative. Likewise, the K'atun Plan contemplates gender equity and the development of women in the economic sphere of the country.

Q44

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)?

Additional information on how the strategy(ies), policy(ies) or plan(s) that you have identify seek to ensure non-discrimination with respect to conditions of employment or occupation. (Please include weblinks as applicable):
Does not apply

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Q45

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

Yes,

Additional information on the data on women's economic empowerment that your government collects. (Please include weblinks as applicable):
Through workshops, training and meetings with groups of women producers, a record is kept on this issue.

Q46

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

Difficulties accessing financial services,

Difficult working conditions,

Discriminatory practices,

Exclusion from male-dominated distribution networks

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Gender pay gap,

Harassment, security and safety issues

Q47

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

Yes,

Additional information on the role that Aid for Trade can play in addressing these constraints.:
Creating specific financing programs for the empowerment of women in commercial activities

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Q48

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

Yes,

Additional information on whether you have requested Aid for Trade to finance projects for women's economic empowerment in 2015-2020, including reasons as to why or why not.:

This issue must be agreed with the Presidential Secretariat for Women -SEPREM-

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Q49

If yes, please provide further information on the donors, South-South or triangular cooperation partners that have supported your Aid-for-Trade programmes on women's economic empowerment.

Respondent skipped this question

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Q50

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).

Additional information on the areas that the Aid-for-Trade projects for women's economic empowerment sought to address. Please describe your project(s) in no more than 300 words per box. (You may include references and weblinks and add information on results achieved as applicable, i.e. figures, case stories).:

This issue must be agreed with the Presidential Secretariat for Women -SEPREM-

Q51

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

Yes,

Additional information on the public-private partnerships used to achieve your Aid-for-Trade objectives in relation to women's economic empowerment. Please include reasons as to why or why not. Kindly provide a list of your private sector partners, the number of projects run, and the sectors concerned. You may also describe each project and their impacts in no more than 300 words per project. (Please provide weblinks as applicable).:

The Guatemalan Association of Exporters -AGEXPORT-, has programs and a committee for women exporters.

Q52

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

Respondent skipped this question

Q53

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

Additional information on how your Aid-for-Trade projects involving women's economic empowerment are underpinned by a monitoring and evaluation/ results framework.:

This issue must be agreed with the Secretary Women's Presidential -SEPREM-

Q54

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

Additional information on how the Aid-for-Trade support for women's economic empowerment you receive aligns with your trade priorities and objectives.:

This issue must be agreed with the Secretary Women's Presidential -SEPREM-

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Q55

Do women face particular difficulties in accessing digital technologies in your country?

Yes,

Additional information on the particular difficulties faced by women in accessing digital technology in your country, including your data sources. (Please provide information in no more than 300 words including references and weblinks).:

Access to digital technologies in rural areas of the country is more limited for the general population.

Q56

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

High cost of device (e.g., mobile phone),

High usage costs,

Inadequate electricity infrastructure,

Inadequate network infrastructure,

Limited internet connectivity

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Q57

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).

Agriculture,

Fisheries,

Forestry,

Mining,

Industry,

Services

Q58

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)

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(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)

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(c) Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)

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

Q59

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

The Guatemalan Association of Exporters -AGEXPORT-, has programs and a committee for women exporters.

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Respondent skipped this question

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