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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)

Connecting to value chains	3
Export diversification	4
Regional integration	1
Trade facilitation	5
Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)	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.	http://www.economie.gov.mr/IMG/pdf/scapp_volume_2_-_fr_16-11-2017.pdf

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

No,

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. :

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

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

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

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

Yes,

If yes, please provide additional information (including as to how economic diversification is defined and measured). :

The economic diversification policy that Mauritania has adopted in its "National Economic Diversification Strategy". The "Accelerated Growth and Shared Prosperity" programme aims to fully exploit the economy's growth potential and reduce its vulnerability to exogenous shocks related to commodity price volatility and climate change. In this perspective, interventions will seek to create more wealth through sustained growth from a greater number of sectors and benefiting as many actors as possible. To achieve this objective, the engines of growth must operate at full capacity and all economic opportunities and potential must be exploited efficiently and optimally. The main priority growth sectors targeted are livestock, agriculture, fisheries and the extractive industries sector. The strategy to be followed aims to promote transformation and industrialization. This diversification, which will be based on several strategic sectors and is focused on strengthening the economic partnership with ECOWAS, the creation of the Nouadhibou Free Zone. <http://www.ndbfreezone.mr/index.php/mission-de-la-zfn/mission-de-l-an-zf.html>

Q10 What are the main constraints to economic diversification identified in your national or regional development strategy?(You may tick more than 1 box)

- Inadequate network infrastructure (power, water, telecommunications)
- Limited access to trade finance
- Limited e-trade readiness,
- Limited industrial or manufacturing capacity
- 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)

- 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)
- Agriculture,
- Fishing

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)?

Yes

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

Yes

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

- Export diversification
- Structural transformation

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

- Agriculture,
- Services,
- Fisheries

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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 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 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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Agriculture,

Fishing

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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)

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

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Country ownership,

Good digital and ICT connectivity

Good trade-related infrastructure

Institutional capacity to implement projects

Sufficient funding and appropriate implementation timelines

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.)

Diverging priorities between partner and donor

Inadequate infrastructure,

Failure to mobilize domestic private investment

Limited services capacity,

Weak institutional capacity

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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**

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,
 France,
 Germany,
 Japan,
 Spain,
 Kuwait ,
 (KFAED)
 Turkey,
 United Arab ,
 Emirates
 African Development Bank ,
 (AfDB)
 Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa
 (BADEA)
 ,
 Climate Investment Funds ,
 (CIF)
 Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF),
 Food and Agricultural Organization of the UN ,
 (FAO)
 Global Environment Facility ,
 (GEF)
 International Fund for Agricultural Development ,
 (IFAD)
 International Monetary Fund ,
 (IMF)
 Islamic Development Bank ,
 (IsDB)
 International Trade Centre ,
 (ITC)
 United Nations Development Programme ,
 (UNDP)
 UN Industrial Development Organization ,
 (UNIDO)
 World ,
 Bank
 World Trade Organization
 (WTO)

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

China,
Turkey,
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia ,
United Arab Emirates

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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 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)

Trade policy and administrative management

Trade facilitation,

Regional trade agreements (RTAs)

Multilateral trade negotiations

Trade education/training,

Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)

Transport and storage infrastructure

Communications 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

Agriculture,

Fishing,

Industry,

Mineral resources and mining

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)

Enhanced integrated framework RIC <https://www.enhancedif.org/fr/profil-pays/mauritania>

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

Yes,

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

The reduction of inequalities and the promotion of gender, in particular through the empowerment of women, and the inclusion of groups with special needs is among the country's economic and social development objectives within the framework of the national SCAAP strategy. Ongoing projects: o Women's Political Participation Promotion Project from 2013 to 2017; o Gender Institutionalization Project; o Women's Empowerment and Demographic Dividend Project 2016-2019; o "AGR Financing Fund for Women's Groups" Project; o Social Net Support Project o National Social Transfer Programme "Tekavoul" o TADAMOON Agency's AGR Programme

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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?

Yes

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

Yes

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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)

- Trade education/training,
- Agriculture,
- Fishing,
- Industry,
- Travel and tourism

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)?

Yes

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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 the flow of goods at borders (Trade Facilitation)
- ,
- Providing access to finance ,
- Supporting the growth and economic development of women
- ,
- Supporting rural trade ,
- 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,
- Transport and storage infrastructure ,
- Communications 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 ,
- Agriculture,
- Fishing,
- Industry,
- Travel and tourism

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)

- Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities ,
- Capacity to draft funding applications ,
- Good trade-related infrastructure ,
- Leveraging of foreign direct investment ,
- 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** ,
- Improving access to information** ,
- Improving access to global value chains** ,
- 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)

- Banking and financial services** ,
- 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).**
- ,
- Trade policy and administrative management** ,
- Trade education/training,**
- Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)**
- ,
- Transport and storage infrastructure** ,
- Communications 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.)**

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 ,

Good digital and ICT connectivity ,

Good trade-related infrastructure ,

Leveraging of foreign direct investment ,

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 ,

Upgrading business skills,

Upgrading ICT skills ,

Improving access to information ,

Improving digital connectivity

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)

- Business support services,**
- Banking and financial services** ,
- Agriculture,**
- 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).**
- ,
- Trade policy and administrative management** ,
- Trade education/training,**
- Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)**
- ,
- Transport and storage infrastructure** ,
- Communications infrastructure,**
- Energy supply and generation infrastructure** ,
- Fishing,**
- Industry,**
- Mineral resources and mining** ,
- Travel and tourism**

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)

- Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities**
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- Country ownership,**
- Good digital and ICT connectivity** ,
- Good trade-related infrastructure** ,
- Institutional capacity to implement projects**

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. :

SDO 1 3 4 5 6 6 7 8 10 12 15 16

<http://www.economie.gov.mr/spip.php?article547>

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:

1. No ,
poverty

8. Decent work and economic ,
growth

9. Industry, innovation and ,
infrastructure

10. Reduce ,
inequalities

12. Responsible consumption and ,
production

16. Peace, justice and strong
institutions

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,
- France,
- Germany,
- Japan,
- Spain,
- Turkey,
- United Arab Emirates ,
- Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF),
- Food and Agricultural Organization of the UN (FAO) ,
- International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) ,
- International Monetary Fund (IMF) ,
- International Trade Centre (ITC) ,
- UN Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) ,
- World Bank ,
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

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

- Turkey,
- Kingdom of Saudi Arabia ,
- United Arab Emirates

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 ,
 Agriculture,
 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).
 ,
 Trade policy and administrative management ,
 Trade facilitation,
 Regional trade agreements (RTAs) ,
 Multilateral trade negotiations ,
 Trade education/training,
 Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)
 ,
 Transport and storage infrastructure ,
 Communications infrastructure,
 Energy supply and generation infrastructure ,
 Fishing,
 Industry,
 Mineral resources and mining ,
 Travel and tourism

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Q45 Please provide any additional information that you think may be relevant. (Please references in the form of 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**
