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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)

International competitiveness	5
Network infrastructure (power, water, telecommunications)	3
Services development	1
Trade facilitation	2
Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)	4
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.	<a href="http://www.mef.gob.pa/es/transparencia/Documents/Plan%20Estrategico%20de%20Gobierno%202015%20-%202019.pdf">http://www.mef.gob.pa/es/transparencia/Documents/Plan%20Estrategico%20de%20Gobierno%202015%20-%202019.pdf</a>

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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. :

<http://www.mef.gob.pa/es/transparencia/Documents/Plan%20Estrategico%20de%20Gobierno%202015%20-%202019.pdf>

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

**Le participant a ignoré la question**

**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.

[https://www.mici.gob.pa/uploads/media\\_files/2018/12/2/10-4-programmes-developed-1/2018/pd2019-01.pdf](https://www.mici.gob.pa/uploads/media_files/2018/12/2/10-4-programmes-developed-1/2018/pd2019-01.pdf)

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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). :

According to the Government's Strategic Plan 2015-2019, the diversification and productivity of the economic base is based on the development of logistics and transport, the agricultural sector and rural development, tourism and mining, as well as territorial development and environmental sustainability.

**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 industrial or manufacturing capacity**
  - Poor international competitiveness,**
  - Small domestic market**
  - Unaffordable and/or unreliable electricity access**
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**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 facilitation,**  
**Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)**  
 ,  
**Transport and storage 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)**  
 ,  
**Building productive capacity**  
 ,  
**Agriculture,**  
**Forestry,**  
**Industry,**  
**Mineral resources and mining**  
 ,  
**Travel and tourism**  
 ,

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

In accordance with the Government's Strategic Plan 2015-2019, the diversification and productivity of the economic base is based on the development of logistics and transport, the agricultural sector and rural development, tourism and mining, as well as territorial development and environmental sustainability.

**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,**  
 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). :  
<http://www.mef.gob.pa/es/transparencia/Documents/Plan%20Strategic%20of%20Government%202015%20-%202019.pdf>  
[https://www.mici.gob.pa/uploads/media\\_files/2018/12/2/10-4-programs-developed-1/2018/pd2019-01.pdf](https://www.mici.gob.pa/uploads/media_files/2018/12/2/10-4-programs-developed-1/2018/pd2019-01.pdf)

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

**Yes,**

Additional information on whether your government has recorded progress in economic diversification since the launch of the Aid-for-Trade initiative in 2006? :  
They are distributed in development programmes and projects aimed at the sectors indicated above, in accordance with the Government's Strategic Plan 2015-2019.

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

**Structural transformation**

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

**Industry,  
Services**

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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 facilitation,**

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

**Transport and storage 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)**

**Building productive capacity**

**Agriculture,**

**Forestry,**

**Industry,**

**Mineral resources and mining**

**Travel and tourism**

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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** ,  
**Good trade-related infrastructure** ,  
**Leveraging of foreign direct investment** ,  
**National/regional coordination,**  
**Services capacity**

**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.)

**Inadequate infrastructure,**  
**Lack of country ownership** ,  
**Resources dedicated to the project or programme too low** ,  
**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,**  
**Japan,**  
**Inter-America Development Bank (IDB)** ,  
**International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)** ,  
**World Bank**

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

**Other (please specify)** ,  
 Additional information on the South-South partner(s) that are important sources of financing for your economic diversification. :  
 Development Bank of Latin America - CAF

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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**
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**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)

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Trade policy and administrative management ,

Trade facilitation,

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)

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Building productive capacity ,

Agriculture,

Forestry,

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)



**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,**

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

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[https://ampyme.gob.pa/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/PEA2016\\_2019.pdf](https://ampyme.gob.pa/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/PEA2016_2019.pdf)

<http://inamu.gob.pa/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/MATRIZ-POA-2018-1.pdf>

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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. :

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[https://ampyme.gob.pa/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/PEA2016\\_2019.pdf](https://ampyme.gob.pa/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/PEA2016_2019.pdf)

<http://inamu.gob.pa/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/MATRIZ-POA-2018-1.pdf>

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

**Yes,**

If yes, please provide additional information on the indicators, or targets, on economic empowerment that are included in your national or regional development strategy. :

[http://www.contraloria.gob.pa/inec/Publicaciones/subcategoria.aspx?](http://www.contraloria.gob.pa/inec/Publicaciones/subcategoria.aspx?ID_CATEGORY=5&ID_SUBCATEGORY=38&ID_LANGUAGE A=1)

[ID\\_CATEGORY=5&ID\\_SUBCATEGORY=38&ID\\_LANGUAGE A=1](http://www.contraloria.gob.pa/inec/Publicaciones/subcategoria.aspx?ID_CATEGORY=5&ID_SUBCATEGORY=38&ID_LANGUAGE A=1)

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

**Yes,**

If yes please provide additional information on how your national or regional development strategy links economic empowerment to participation in international trade. :  
<http://www.mef.gob.pa/es/transparencia/Documents/Plan%20Estrategico%20de%20Gobierno%202015%20-%202019.pdf>

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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,**

**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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**Business support services,**

**Building productive capacity**

**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** ,

**Supporting rural trade** ,

**Supporting the elaboration of gender-sensitive policies**

,

**Supporting the growth and economic development of Youth**

,

**Upgrading business skills,**

**Upgrading ICT 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,
- 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

**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
- ,
- Good trade-related infrastructure
- ,
- Mobilization of domestic private investment
- ,
- Institutional capacity to implement projects
- ,
- Sufficient funding and appropriate implementation timelines
- ,
- Other (please specify):
- Additional information on the factors that contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting women's economic empowerment. :
- Improving access to foreign markets

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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)

- Providing access to finance
- ,
- Supporting rural trade
- ,
- Supporting the growth and economic development of Youth
- ,
- Upgrading business skills,
- Improving access to information

**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** ,  
**Trade education/training,**  
**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** ,  
**Capacity to draft funding applications** ,  
**Institutional capacity to implement projects** ,  
**Services capacity,**  
**Sufficient funding and appropriate implementation timelines**

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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** ,  
**Supporting the elaboration of gender-sensitive policies** ,  
**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** ,  
**Building productive capacity** ,  
**Trade education/training,**  
**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.)**

**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** ,  
**Capacity to draft funding applications** ,  
**Country ownership,**  
**Good digital and ICT connectivity** ,  
**Institutional capacity to implement projects** ,  
**National/regional coordination,**  
**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,**  
 Please provide a weblink to the relevant national strategy or policy document in which SDGs are referred to. :  
[http://www.pa.undp.org/content/dam/panama/docs/Documents\\_2017/Plan-Panama2030.pdf](http://www.pa.undp.org/content/dam/panama/docs/Documents_2017/Plan-Panama2030.pdf)

**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 ,
- 3. Good health and well-being ,
- 4. Quality education,
- 5. Gender equality ,
- 6. Clean water and sanitation ,
- 8. Decent work and economic growth ,
- 9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure ,
- 10. Reduce inequalities ,
- 11. Sustainable cities and communities ,
- 12. Responsible consumption and production ,
- 14. Life below water ,
- 15. Life on land ,
- 16. Peace, justice and strong institutions ,
- 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)

- European Union,
- Japan,
- Inter-America Development Bank (IDB) ,
- International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) ,
- World Bank

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

Additional information on the South-South partner(s) that are important sources of financing for your economic empowerment. :  
Development Bank of Latin America - CAF

**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,  
 Building productive capacity ,  
 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,  
 Trade education/training,  
 Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical 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.)  
 ,  
 Forestry,  
 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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**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**

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