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**Q1**

**ST. LUCIA**

Respondent (Country or Customs Territory)

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**Q2**

About you

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**Q3**

**Yes**

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

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**Q4**

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

**Yes,**

If yes, please provide further details including hyperlinks to relevant documents containing trade priorities::  
 Saint Lucia National Export Strategy:  
<https://exportsaintlucia.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/National-Export-Strategy-2020-2024.pdf>  
 Saint Lucia Medium Term Strategy:  
<https://u.pcloud.link/publink/show?code=XZztP6kZyfALIVnOEVVCMs25xTqyr42he7zk>  
 Agricultural Policy Framework and Strategy:  
<https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/NAPC/Documents/Parties/Saint%20Lucia%E2%80%99s%20Sectoral%20Strategy%20and%20Action%20Plan%20for%20Agriculture.pdf>  
 Under the now expired “Agriculture Policy Framework and Strategy 2016-2021 focus was given to trade issues under the pillar entitled Market Development (domestic and export) in the document. The government sought to promote and develop efficient marketing of locally produced agricultural commodities for the export market by facilitating the development of regional and international market opportunities. A number of activities were undertaken including certification and standards training and equipping for export readiness, legislation such as SPS, HACCAAP and other protocols. The new Agri-Food Systems Transformation Policy and Strategy 2023-2030 (which is nearing completion of its first draft) also speaks to continued/strengthening collaboration with Statutory agencies with responsibility for marketing and export to diversify and expand markets. Priorities also include fostering competitive markets and value-chain development.

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**Q5**

Does your national development strategy(ies) have a thematic focus?

**Yes**


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**Q6**

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.)

- Economic diversification,**
- Enhancing exports in non-traditional sectors,**
- Export diversification,**
- Expansion of the agriculture 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)**
- ,**
- Climate change mitigation,**
- Climate change adaptation,**
- Innovation and technological development,**
- Expansion of the MSME sector,**
- Human capital development (e.g. education through skills, training and health)**
- ,**
- 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 ,**
- Improved (national) environmental governance,**
- Inclusive growth, including (historically) disadvantaged groups (add additional information in text box if appropriate).**
- ,**
- Food security**

**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.)**

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**Economic growth targets,**

**Poverty reduction targets,**

Additional information on objectives and targets::

- Strengthening the competitiveness of the business ecosystem to boost the creation of firms and SME growth.
  - Expanding the national productive capacity and diversifying the export basket.
  - Ensuring that increased trade is environmentally friendly and its benefits widely shared.
  - Saint Lucia like its regional and global counterparts if feverishly working towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals particularly as it relates to poverty reduction and eradication of hunger.
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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)::  
Saint Lucia National Export Strategy for the period 2020-2024: <https://exportsaintlucia.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/National-Export-Strategy-2020-2024.pdf> Saint Lucia's Sectoral Adaptation Strategy and Action Plan for the Agriculture: <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/NAPC/Documents/Parties/Saint%20Lucia%E2%80%99s%20Sectoral%20Strategy%20and%20Action%20Plan%20for%20Agriculture.pdf>

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**Q11**

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.

**Yes**

**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.

- Improved balance of payments situation,
- Increased competitiveness,
- Expansion of agricultural exports,
- Expansion of exports of forestry products,
- Expansion of exports of fishery products,
- Expansion of manufactured exports,
- Expansion of services exports,
- Expansion of e-commerce and/or digitally delivered services exports
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- Expansion of MSME sector exports,
- Protection of intellectual property,
- Growth in the number of export markets reached,
- Improvements in trade facilitation,
- Climate change related objectives (e.g. reduction in emissions associated with trade)
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- Export-related environmental protection objectives,
- Export diversification in terms of number of markets reached
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- Competitiveness ranking in global index,
- Agricultural export growth target,
- Better export performance,
- Export diversification in terms of number of goods and services exported
- ,
- Reduction in import targets,
- Forestry product export target,
- Fishery products export target,
- Manufactured export target,
- Services trade export target,
- E-commerce export target,
- MSME sector growth targets,
- Revenue targets from different forms of IP rights (e.g. copyright, trademarks etc)
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- Export markets diversification targets,
- Trade facilitation targets (e.g. time taken to release),
- Emissions reduction targets found in nationally determined contributions\*\*

**Q13**

Yes, in part

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**

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,  
 Culture and creative industries,  
 Education services,  
 Energy services,  
 Science, technology and innovation,  
 Recreation and sport,  
 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****Caribbean Community (CARICOM),**

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

Additional information on regional objectives::

Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)- OECS Economic Union

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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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**Q19**

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 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 undertake trade reform/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),
- Trade education/training,
- Trade-related Transport and storage infrastructure (e.g. port, dry port, inland container port, inland container depot, etc.)
- ,
- 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,
- Fishing,
- Multilateral trade negotiations,
- Industry,
- Travel and tourism,
- Digital trade and e-commerce,
- TRADE-RELATED ADJUSTMENT (Including supporting developing countries to put in place accompanying measures that assist them to benefit from liberalized trade)**
- ,
- OTHER TRADE RELATED-NEEDS**

**Q20**

Yes

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

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**Q21**

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

**Communication of policy document,  
Dialogue with development partners**

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**Q22**

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

**Yes**

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**Q23**

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

**Yes**

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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,  
Insufficiency of grant financing,  
Conditions attached to access aid-for-trade financing,  
Inter-ministerial co-ordination challenges,  
Challenges engaging in public-private partnerships,  
Domestic oversight constraints,  
Limited ability to develop "bankable" projects**

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**Q25**

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?

**Yes**

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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?

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**Q29** **Conditions required by development partners to access support**

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)

‘ **Human capacity constraints to developing bankable projects**

‘ **Weak institutional capacity (e.g. lack of coordination at domestic level)**

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**Q30** **No**

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** **Yes**

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

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**Q32**

**Trade facilitation**

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

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**Q33**

**No**

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

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**Q34**

**Yes**

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

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**Q35**

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

**Agriculture,**  
**Forestry,**  
**Fisheries,**  
**Manufacturing sector,**  
**MSME sector development,**  
**Business and professional services,**  
**Communication services, including ICT,**  
**Construction services,**  
**Environment services,**  
**Tourism,**  
**Cross-sectoral e-commerce and digital trade**

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**Q36**

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

- Trade policy and administrative management,
- Trade facilitation,
- Agriculture,
- Forestry,
- Fishing,
- Digital trade and e-commerce,
- 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 undertake trade reform/facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards)**
- ,
- 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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**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**

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

- GOAL 1: No Poverty,**
- GOAL 2: Zero Hunger,**
- GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being,**
- GOAL 6: Clean Water and Sanitation,**
- GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth,**
- GOAL 13: Climate Action,**
- GOAL 14: Life Below Water,**
- GOAL 15: Life on Land**

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**Q39**

**Yes**

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

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