2024 Aid for Trade Partner Country Questionnaire



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Respondent (Country or Customs Territory)	
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Yes

Q3

(ies)?

Do you have a national development plan or strategy?

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Q4	No,
If yes, does your national development plan or strategy(ies) include tradepriorities?	If yes, please provide further details including hyperlinks
	to relevant documents containing trade priorities::
	http://www.finance.gov.sc/uploads/files/Seychelles_Nation
	al_Development_Strategy_2019_2023_new.pdf

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

Innovation and technological development,

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

Sustainable resource management,

Improved (national) environmental governance,

Additional information on thematic issues:: Social Cohesion Economic Transformation

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No

Q7

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*:

Respondent skipped this question

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Q9

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? Other (please specify): Transparent and Predictable Trade Regulation, Private Sector Participation In Decision Making

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Respondent skipped this question

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.

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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.

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. Security of supply,

Improved balance of payments situation,

Increased competitiveness,

Expansion of agricultural exports,

Expansion of exports of fishery products,

Expansion of services exports,

Expansion of e-commerce and/or digitally delivered services exports

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)

Export-related environmental protection objectives,

Export diversification in terms of number of markets reached

Competitiveness ranking in global index,

Better export performance,

Export diversification in terms of number of goods and services exported

Access to essential goods,

Fishery products 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)

Export markets diversification targets,

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

Trade-related targets to reduce certain trade flows

Q13

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

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Q14

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.

Yes,

Additional information on trade objectives in other policy documents::

http://www.finance.gov.sc/uploads/files/Vision_2033.pdf

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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,

Fisheries,

Services (general),

Banking and financial services,

Education services,

Environment services,

Additional information on specific objectives and targets in other documents::

Additional Sectors Includes: Housing Health Governance

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

African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA),

Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)

Southern African Development Community (SADC)

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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 Communications infrastructure,

Business support services,

Banking and financial services,

Agriculture,

Fishing,

Multilateral trade negotiations,

Travel and tourism,

Digital trade and e-commerce,

OTHER TRADE RELATED-NEEDS,

Additional information on priority Aid for Trade areas:: Food Security

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Yes

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

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Q21

Dialogue with development partners

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

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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,

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.)::

Official Development Assistance South-South cooperation Climate Finance Capacity Building & Technical Assistance on Trade Related matters

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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.) Inter-ministerial co-ordination challenges,

Challenges engaging in public-private partnerships,

Domestic oversight constraints,

Lack of coordination between development partners

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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?

No

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Q26

Respondent skipped this question

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)?

Page 26: SECTION E: ALIGNMENT OF AID-FOR-TRADE SUPPORT

Q28 How well-aligned is the Aid-for-Trade support you receive with your Aid-for-Trade priorities?	Not at all aligned
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) , Limited knowledge of recipient (i.e. developing country) needs and economic situation , Length of project/programme funding cycles, 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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No

Q31

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

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Q32

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

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Q33

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	Agriculture,
If yes, please tick all relevant boxes and provide further details including hyperlinks as relevant.(Please tick relevant boxes)	Fisheries,
	MSME sector development,
	Services (general),
	Banking and financial services,
	Business and professional services,
	Communication services, including ICT,
	Science, technology and innovation,
	Tourism,
	Cross-sectoral e-commerce and digital trade

No

Respondent skipped this question

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.)

Banking and financial services,

Agriculture,

Fishing,

Yes

Multilateral trade negotiations,

Travel and tourism,

Digital trade and e-commerce,

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

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

GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being,

GOAL 4: Quality Education,

GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth,

GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure,

GOAL 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities,

GOAL 13: Climate Action,

GOAL 14: Life Below Water,

- GOAL 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions,
- **GOAL 5: Gender Equality**

Yes

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