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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	5
Export diversification	2
Network infrastructure (power, water, telecommunications)	3
Trade facilitation	4
Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)	1

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Q5 Have your Aid-for-Trade priorities changed since 2016? **No**

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

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

Respondent skipped this question

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

Solomon Islands Trade Policy Framework

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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 base must be inclusive of diverse economic activities and investments

**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 ,

High tariffs in target markets/products ,

High trade costs ,

Limited agricultural production capacity ,

Limited services capacity,

Limited standards compliance ,

Small domestic market ,

Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)

**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 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 ,
- Agriculture,
- Forestry,
- Fishing,
- Mineral resources and mining ,
- Travel and tourism

**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?

Unsure

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

Respondent skipped this question

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

Respondent skipped this question

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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 administrative management

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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)

Country ownership,  
Institutional capacity to implement projects ,  
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.)

Failure to mobilize domestic private investment ,  
Lack of country ownership ,  
Limited financing for the private sector

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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)

Japan,  
Asian Development Bank (AsDB)

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

Chinese Taipei

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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,**  
**Fisheries,**  
**Forestry**

**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 facilitation,**  
**Trade education/training,**  
**Transport and storage infrastructure** ,  
**Energy supply and generation infrastructure** ,  
**Agriculture,**  
**Forestry,**  
**Fishing**

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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)

**Respondent skipped this question**

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

**Yes**

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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)

**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?

**Unsure**

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

**Unsure**

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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

**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)?

Unsure

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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 access to global value chains ,

Improving digital connectivity

**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)

Regional trade agreements (RTAs) ,

Trade education/training, Communications infrastructure,

Forestry,

Fishing,

Mineral resources and mining ,

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)

Capacity to draft funding applications ,

Coordination among donors ,

Country ownership,

Leveraging of foreign direct investment ,

Mobilization of domestic private investment ,

Institutional capacity to implement projects

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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)

- Supporting rural trade
- Upgrading business skills,
- Upgrading the energy infrastructure
- Upgrading the transport infrastructure,
- Improving digital connectivity

**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)

- Agriculture,
- Transport and storage infrastructure
- Energy supply and generation infrastructure
- Forestry,
- Fishing

**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)

- Coordination among donors
- Good trade-related infrastructure
- Leveraging of foreign direct investment
- Mobilization of domestic private investment
- Institutional capacity to implement projects
- National/regional coordination,
- 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)

- Improving the flow of goods at borders (Trade Facilitation)
- Providing access to finance
- Supporting rural trade
- Supporting the growth and economic development of Youth
- Upgrading business skills,
- Upgrading ICT skills
- Upgrading the energy infrastructure
- Upgrading the transport infrastructure,
- Improving access to foreign markets
- Improving digital connectivity
- Improving the provision of services

**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
- Communications infrastructure

**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)

- Country ownership,
- Donor interest in specific projects/programmes
- Good trade-related infrastructure
- Mobilization of domestic private investment
- Institutional capacity to implement projects

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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



**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:

3. Good health and well-being ,
4. Quality education, ,
6. Clean water and sanitation ,
7. Affordable and clean energy ,
8. Decent work and economic growth ,
10. Reduce inequalities ,
12. Responsible consumption and production ,
13. Climate action ,
16. Peace, justice and strong institutions

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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)

Japan,  
Asian Development Bank (AsDB)

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

Chinese Taipei

**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,  
Agriculture,  
Trade education/training,  
Forestry,  
Fishing,  
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 or weblinks, document symbols etc.)

Respondent skipped this 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) **Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q47** CONSULTATION (Other ministries/agencies consulted in preparing this questionnaire reply): **Respondent skipped this question**

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