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Respondent (Country or Customs Territory)

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About you

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Q3 Yes

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

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Q4 Yes

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

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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.)

Enhancing exports in non-traditional sectors,

Expansion of the agriculture sector,

Expansion of the fisheries sector,

Trade integration,

Climate change mitigation,

Climate change adaptation,

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

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Youth employment and skills,

Waste management,

Food security

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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 LDC Graduation,

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\*:

**Economic growth targets** 

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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 Yes

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 No

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.

# Q12 Respondent skipped this question

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.

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 No

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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Respondent skipped this question

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)

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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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O17 Respondent skipped this question

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

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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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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 facilitation,

Regional trade agreements (RTAs),

Trade education/training,

Trade-related Communications infrastructure,

Building productive capacity,

Agriculture,

Forestry,

Fishing,

Multilateral trade negotiations,

Digital trade and e-commerce

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Q20 Yes

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

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# Q21 Communication of policy document

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

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Q22 Yes

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

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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.)

Lengthy approval processes related to loans,

High cost of borrowing,

Difficulties accessing grant finance,

Insufficiency of grant financing,

Inter-ministerial co-ordination challenges,

Weak financial systems,

**Domestic oversight constraints** 

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Q25 Yes

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?

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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)?

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

Q28 Moderately aligned

How well-aligned is the Aid-for-Trade support you receive with your Aid-for-Trade priorities?

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)

Lack of donor coordination,

Length of project/programme funding cycles,

Human capacity constraints to developing bankable projects

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

#### Page 27: SECTION F: OUTCOMES AND IMPACTS OF AID-FOR-TRADE SUPPORT

Q30 Yes, for the national trade strategy

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 No

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

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Q32 Respondent skipped this question

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

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Q33 Yes,

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

Additional information on best practice examples::

EIF project

#### Page 31: SECTION G: FUTURE AID-FOR-TRADE NEEDS

Q34 Yes

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

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

Agriculture,

Forestry,

Fisheries,

Mining and minerals,

Renewable energy,

MSME sector development,

Banking and financial services,

Business and professional services,

Communication services, including ICT,

Construction services,

Distribution services.

Education services,

Energy services,

**Environment services,** 

Tourism,

Transport services (air, land and maritime),

Cross-sectoral e-commerce and digital trade

#### **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,

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.)

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Trade-related Communications infrastructure,

**Business support services,** 

Agriculture,

Forestry,

Fishing,

Multilateral trade negotiations,

Industry,

Mineral resources and mining,

Travel and tourism,

Digital trade and e-commerce

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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 GOAL 1: No Poverty,

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

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GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being,

GOAL 4: Quality Education,

GOAL 2: Zero Hunger,

GOAL 6: Clean Water and Sanitation,

GOAL 7: Affordable and Clean Energy,

**GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth,** 

GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure,

GOAL 10: Reduced Inequality,

GOAL 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities,

GOAL 13: Climate Action,

GOAL 15: Life on Land,

GOAL 17: Partnerships to achieve the Goal,

**GOAL 5: Gender Equality** 

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Q39 Yes

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