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Q1: Respondent

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Q2: About you

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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)

Trade facilitation	1
International competitiveness	5
Export diversification	2
Connecting to value chains	3
Services development	4

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Q5: Have your Aid-for-Trade priorities changed since 2014?

Unsure

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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: In your view, can Aid for Trade make a contribution to the achievement of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda ?

Yes

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Q9: If yes, please specify which Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) you think that Aid for Trade may help to achieve? Sustainable Development Goals:

1. No poverty , 2. Zero hunger ,
8. Decent work and economic growth ,
9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure ,
12. Responsible consumption and production ,
17. Partnership for the goals

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Q10: In your view, can Aid for Trade make a contribution to women's economic empowerment?

Yes,

Additional information on how Aid for Trade can make a contribution to women's economic empowerment.
Through aid for trade we can stimulate the development and growth of SME's where these are being headed by women specifically.

Q11: Have you participated in any evaluation process that has been undertaken on the Aid-for-Trade support you receive?

No

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Q12: Is trade facilitation reflected as a priority in your national or regional development policy? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Yes, National Development Strategy with a broader conception of trade facilitation (e.g. trade and transport facilitation)

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Q13: If yes, in which policy document(s) can trade facilitation be found as a priority? (You may tick more than 1 box)

National development strategy,
National trade strategy, Regional trade agreement(s)

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Q14: If no, does your government plan to include trade facilitation as a priority in future planning document(s)? (You may tick more than one box)

National development strategy,
National trade strategy, Regional trade agreement

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Q15: Please outline the current status of work related to the implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement(You may tick more than 1 box)

Acceptance of Amendment Protocol ("Trade Facilitation Agreement ratification") awaiting parliamentary or executive approval

Q16: Are you planning to use the flexibilities set out in section II of the Trade Facilitation Agreement ?

Yes

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Q17: If yes, please specify:(You may tick more than 1 box)

Category A commitments deposited,
Category B commitments under preparation,
Category C commitments under preparation

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Q18: Which disciplines of the Trade Facilitation Agreement are you seeking Aid-for-Trade support to implement?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Art 3: Advance Rulings ,
 Art 8: Border Agency Cooperation ,
 Art 10: Formalities Connected with Importation, Exportation and Transit
 ,
 Art 11: Freedom of Transit ,
 Art 12: Customs Cooperation ,
 Other (please specify),
 Additional information on the disciplines of the TFA you are seeking Aid for Trade support to implement particularly with respect to specific measures within articles (e.g. single window, authorized operator, etc.).
 Notification, publication, information available through internet and expedited shipment.

Q19: Are you engaged in a dialogue with development partners on your Trade Facilitation Agreement implementation needs?

No

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Q20: If yes, please specify with which development partners you are discussing Trade Facilitation Agreement implementation.

Respondent skipped this question

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Q21: If no, what difficulties, if any, are you facing in securing Aid-for-Trade support to help implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q22: Is there an Aid-for-Trade facilitation project or programme that you wish to showcase as an example of best practice ?

Unsure

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Q23: Does your government have a national strategy for e-commerce (or other national digital-related strategy)?

No

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Q24: If yes, please indicate which of the following : (You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

Q25: If yes, is this national strategy reflected in your national development strategy?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q26: If no, does your government plan to develop or update your national development strategy to include e-commerce (or other digital-related) priorities?

Unsure

Q27: Does your government plan to develop a separate e-commerce or (other digital-related) strategy ?

Unsure

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Q28: Do you have any mechanism(s) to coordinate your national e-commerce (or other digital strategy) across government ?

Respondent skipped this question

Q29: Does your existing or planned national strategy for e-commerce (or other digital-related) strategy cover issues related to trade in services and/or goods through e-commerce?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q30: If yes, please indicate which issues are covered in your national e-commerce (or other digital related) strategy:(You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q31: For EXPORTS, what challenges do your micro, small and medium sized enterprises (MSMEs) face in relation to cross border e-commerce transactions? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Absence of, or difficulties in, using electronic single window for customs or border clearance
,
High costs of small parcel shipment ,
High shipping costs,
Issuance and acceptance of sanitary and phytosanitary certificates
,
Lack of transparency in customs and other border procedures

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Q32: For IMPORTS, what challenges do your micro, small and medium sized enterprises (MSMEs) face in relation to cross border e-commerce transactions? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Unsure

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Q33: Please estimate the percentage of goods and services that your country exports and imports internationally through e-commerce / digital channels and the growth of imports and exports through e-commerce / digital channels over the past 3 years.

Percentage of goods exported through e-commerce	No data available
Percentage of services exported through e-commerce	No data available
Percentage of goods traded as expedited shipments	No data available
Growth of imports through e-commerce channels in the past 3 years	No data available
Growth of export through e-commerce channels in the past 3 years	No data available
Growth of expedited shipments	No data available

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Q34: For EXPORTS, what challenges does the on-line purchase of merchandise goods through e-commerce present for your customs and other border management authorities? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Unsure

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Q35: For IMPORTS, what challenges does the on-line purchase of merchandise goods through e-commerce present for your customs and other border management authorities? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Unsure

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Q36: Please indicate how consumers and enterprises connect to the internet.

Fixed broadband	No data available
Wifi	No data available
Mobile phone	No data available
Dial up modem	No data available
Other (please specify)	No data available

Q37: Please indicate the main issues that enterprises and consumers in your countries have in accessing and using internet services.(You may tick more than 1 box)

Access to international payment gateways ,
 Access to labour with necessary technical skills ,
 Cost of broadband subscription ,
 Cost of mobile phone subscription ,
 Credit card payments, Cybercrime laws,
 Intellectual property registration and policies addressing IP infringement
 ,
 Slow internet connection speeds

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Q38: Are electronic payments solutions available in your country?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Unsure

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Q39: If yes, please estimate the percentage of transactions paid electronically in your country (through e-banking, mobile money or e-government):

Respondent skipped this question

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Q40: If no, please outline what is holding back e-banking, mobile money and e-government transactions. (You may tick more than 1 box)

Other regulatory issues (please specify) ,
Additional information on what is holding back e-banking, mobile money and e-government transactions.
lack of legislative basis

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Q41: Do consumers in your country use mobile phones for domestic and international remittances and fund transfer?

Unsure

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Q42: Please indicate which e-government services your country provides:(You may tick more than 1 box)

No e-government service provided

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Q43: Are Information and Communication Technology support programmes available to support students, workers and Micro, Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (MSMEs)?

Unsure

Q44: Is there an Aid-for-E-commerce project or programme that you wish to showcase as an example of best practice?

No

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Q45: Do you anticipate a need for future assistance in order to meet your e-commerce strategic objectives?

Yes

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Q46: If yes, please indicate who you would like to work with to provide this support:(You may tick more than 1 box)

Bilateral donors, Multilateral and regional donors ,
South-South partners

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Q47: In your view, can growth in e-commerce make a contribution to women's economic empowerment?

Yes,

Additional information on how growth in e-commerce can make a contribution to women's economic empowerment.
E-commerce can provide additional possibilities for economic empowerment of women.

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Q48: Does your national development strategy include trade-related infrastructure development priorities?

Yes

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Q49: If yes, please indicate which trade-related infrastructure sectors feature as priority sectors in your national development strategy.(You may tick more than 1 box)

TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE,
Maritime transport infrastructure,
Road transport infrastructure,
Maritime transport infrastructure,
COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE,
Telecommunications infrastructure,
ENERGY-RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE

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Q50: Does your national development strategy link trade-related infrastructure to the development of related services sectors?

Yes

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Q51: If yes, please indicate which services trade sectors feature as priority sectors in your national development strategy. (You may tick more than 1 box)

COMMUNICATION SERVICES,
DISTRIBUTION SERVICES (including wholesale and retail trade services)
,
FINANCIAL SERVICES,
TRANSPORT SERVICES (passenger and freight transportation)

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Q52: Does your national development strategy (or other national economic policy documents) link growth in services capacity and trade to growth in industrial capacity and manufacturing exports? Unsure

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Q53: If yes, please specify which services sectors are identified for growth in industrial capacity and manufacturing. (You may tick more than 1 box) *Respondent skipped this question*

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Q54: Which services sectors are growing fastest in your country? (You may tick more than 1 box) OTHER BUSINESS SERVICES,
CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES
,
TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES

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Q55: What are the main issues constraining growth in national services capacity? Issues constraining growth : (You may tick more than 1 box) Absence of national services policy framework ,
Competition from suppliers in informal sector,
Licensing requirements,
Limited access to export markets,
Low levels of domestic investment ,
Low levels of foreign direct investment ,
Poor information and communication technology network infrastructure
,
Poor transport infrastructure (maritime, inland waterway, air, rail, road)
,
Qualification requirements,
Quality of services offered

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Q56: What are the main issues constraining growth in your services trade? Issues constraining growth : (You may tick more than 1 box)

Poor transport infrastructure (maritime, inland waterway, air, rail, road)
,
Poor information and communication technology network infrastructure
,
Low levels of foreign direct investment ,
Low levels of domestic investment ,
Licensing requirements,
Competition from suppliers in informal sector,
Access to finance,
Absence of national services policy framework

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Q57: Which services sectors do you expect will support implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement and will help realize associated economic benefits? (You may tick more than 1 box)

COMMUNICATION SERVICES,
DISTRIBUTION SERVICES (including wholesale and retail trade services)
,
FINANCIAL SERVICES,
TRANSPORT SERVICES (passenger and freight transportation)

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Q58: Is there an Aid-for-Trade project or programme that you wish to highlight as an example of best practice?

No

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Q59: Does your national development strategy include actions to improve the investment climate?

Unsure

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Q60: If yes, please specify how: (You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

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Q61: What actions have you taken to improve the investment climate in the past 5 years ? (You may tick more than 1 box)

Unsure

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Q62: Are development partners supporting investment climate reforms ?

Unsure

Q63: If yes, is there a project or programme that you wish to highlight as an example of best practice?

Unsure

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Q64: Does your national development strategy seek to attract investment in particular services sectors? If so, please identify which ones. (You may tick more than 1 box)

Other (please specify),
Additional information on how your national development strategy seeks to attract investment in particular services sector.
Suriname is in the process of developing an national services strategy. It is expected that after this has been done we will be able to identify the sectors in which priorities for investment opportunities can be sought.

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Q65: Can the development of services capacity and trade contribute to women's economic empowerment ?

Yes

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Q66: If yes, please specify which services sectors in your country may have particular impact on women's economic empowerment?Services sectors:(You may tick more than 1 box)

HEALTH RELATED AND SOCIAL SERVICES ,
Hospital services , Other human health services

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Q67: In your view, can services trade make a contribution to the achievement of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda ?

Yes

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Q68: If yes, please specify which Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) you think that growth in services trade may help. Sustainable Development Goals: (You may tick more than 1 box)

- 1. No poverty , 2. Zero hunger ,
- 3. Good health and well-being ,
- 17. Partnership for the goals

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Q69: CONSULTATION (Other ministries/agencies consulted in preparing this questionnaire reply):

relevant stakeholders
