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<b>Q1: COUNTRY</b>	TOGO
<b>Q2: ABOUT YOU</b>	
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<b>Q4: Do you have Aid-for-Trade priorities?</b>	Yes
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**Q5: 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 12 listed .(1 being the most important)

Trade facilitation	5
Competitiveness	4
Export diversification	2
Connecting to value chains	1
Regional integration	3

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Q6: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q7: Have your Aid-for-Trade priorities changed since 2012?

No

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Q8: What are the top 3 drivers of these changes? (Please choose no more than 3 options)

*Respondent skipped this question*

Q9: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

Q10: Have these changes been reflected in your national development strategy?

*Respondent skipped this question*

Q11: Have these changes been reflected in your dialogue with development partners?

*Respondent skipped this question*

Q12: Is trade facilitation reflected as a priority in your national or regional development policy?

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q13: In which existing policy document(s) can trade facilitation be found as a priority? (You may tick more than one box)

National development strategy,  
National trade strategy,  
National sectoral strategy(ies),  
National infrastructure development strategy

Q14: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q15: Is trade facilitation included in new draft policy documents currently being updated and formulated?** Yes

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**Q16: Please indicate in which new draft policy documents, currently being updated or formulated, trade facilitation is included:** National trade strategy,  
National infrastructure development strategy

**Q17: Additional information.** *Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q18: How important are trade costs for the competitiveness of your exports?** Very important

**Q19: Additional information.** *Respondent skipped this question*

**Q20: Do your national policies address the issue of trade costs for exports?** Yes

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**Q21: Which document(s) address(es) the issue of trade costs for exports ?** National development strategy,  
National trade strategy,  
National infrastructure strategy,  
Sector specific strategies (e.g. agriculture, etc.)

**Q22: Additional information.** *Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q23: How important are trade costs for access to imports?** Very important

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Q24: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q25: Do national policies address the issue of trade costs for imports? Yes

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Q26: Which document(s) address(es) the issue of trade costs for imports?

National trade strategy,  
National infrastructure strategy

Q27: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q28: What are the most important sources of trade costs for the export of merchandise goods? (You may choose more than 1 option)

Border procedures (trade facilitation),  
Non-Tariff Measures (including standards),  
Transport infrastructure

Q29: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q30: What are the most important sources of trade costs for the export of services? (You may choose more than 1 option)

Network infrastructure (ICT, power, telecoms),  
Transport infrastructure (e.g. for tourism),  
Low levels of skills in service sectors

Q31: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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<b>Q32: In which regional markets to which you export merchandise goods and services do you face the highest trade costs? (Please select no more than 5 regions)</b>	North America, Western Europe
<b>Q33: Indicate your home region.</b>	West Africa

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<b>Q34: FOR MERCHANDISE GOODS: For the markets which you have identified as the highest cost, why are trade costs high? (You may choose more than 1 option)</b>	Non-Tariff Measures (including standards), Transport infrastructure
<b>Q35: Additional information.</b>	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
<b>Q36: FOR SERVICES: For the markets which you have identified as the highest costs, why are trade costs high? (You may choose more than 1 options)</b>	Poor network infrastructure (ICT, telecoms), Restrictions on commercial presence, Restrictions on movement of natural persons
<b>Q37: Additional information.</b>	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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<b>Q38: How have your trade costs evolved over the past 5 years ?</b>	More than 10% reduction
<b>Q39: Additional information.</b>	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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<b>Q40: Does your Government use any of the following sources to address the issue of trade costs? (You may choose more than 1 option)</b>	World Bank Doing Business Index, World Bank Logistic Performance Index, World Customs Organizations Time Release Study , World Economic Forum Global Competitiveness Report
<b>Q41: Additional information.</b>	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
<b>Q42: Do you validate the results? (You may tick more than 1 box)</b>	Yes, dialogue with private sector, Yes, dialogue with government
<b>Q43: Additional information.</b>	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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<b>Q44: Is your government taking national action to reduce trade costs?</b>	Yes
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<b>Q45: What national action is your government is taking?(You may tick more than 1 box)</b>	National government initiatives, Joint public-private sector initiatives
<b>Q46: Additional information.</b>	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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**Q47: In which areas have national actions been undertaken or are on-going? (You may tick more than one box)**

FOR MERCHANDISE GOODS:,  
Border procedures (trade facilitation),  
Non-Tariff Measures (including standards),  
Transport infrastructure,  
Network infrastructure (ICT, power, telecoms),  
Transport infrastructure (e.g. for tourism),  
Reforms of national regulatory frameworks for services

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**Q48: Is your government engaged in regional actions to reduce trade costs?**

Yes

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**Q49: Please specify (You may tick more than 1 box)**

Regional economic community,  
Corridor initiatives,  
Joint public-private sector initiatives

**Q50: In which areas have regional actions been undertaken or are on-going? (You may tick more than 1 box)**

Border procedures (trade facilitation),  
Tariffs, fees and other charges,  
Transport infrastructure,  
Network infrastructure (ICT, power, telecoms),  
Transport infrastructure (e.g. for tourism),  
Reforms of national regulatory frameworks for services

**Q51: Additional information.**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q52: Is external support aligned with your national and regional needs to reduce trade costs ?**

Yes

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Q53: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q54: How is external support aligned with your needs?(You may tick more than 1 box)

External support is aligned with national priorities to reduce trade costs

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Dialogue with donors has resulted in attention to the issue of trade costs

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Dialogue with South-South partners has resulted in attention to the issue of trade costs

Q55: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q56: Why is external support not aligned with your needs?(You may tick more than 1 box)

*Respondent skipped this question*

Q57: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q58: What impact would implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement, when adopted, have on the evolution of your trade costs?

More than 10% reduction

Q59: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q60: In which regions would the implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement, when adopted, have the biggest impact on the trade costs you face ? (Please choose no more than 5 options)

South America, West Africa, Central Africa,  
East Africa, Southern Africa



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Q61: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q62: Do you plan to seek Aid-for-Trade support to help implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement, when adopted ?

Yes, support already being sought

Q63: Have you undertaken a Trade Facilitation Needs Assessment?

Yes

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Q64: Please specify the organization(s) involved in and year(s) of each needs assessment.

WTO

2014

International Trade Centre

2013

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Q65: Do you plan to request a new Trade Facilitation Needs Assessment or an update of an existing assessment?

No

Q66: Please specify why.

The latest update has been undertaken this december 2014, thus it seems that the country has the necessary guidelines to moove forward in the implementation of the TFA.

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Q67: Where might you need support to implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement, when adopted? (You may tick more than 1 box)

To develop national implementation plans,

To support implementation of specific TFA provisions

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**Q68: What difficulties do you face, or do you expect to face, in securing Aid-for-Trade support to help implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement, when adopted ? (You may tick more than 1 box)**

Lack of information on funding opportunities ,  
Differing priorities of in-country donors ,  
National coordination and demonstration of political will for TFA reform  
,  
Problems to quantify TFA implementation needs,  
Integrating TFA implementation into on-going programmes

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**Q69: Which disciplines of the Trade Facilitation Agreement, when adopted, will prove the hardest to implement and where Aid-for-Trade support should be focused?(You may tick more than 1 box)**

Other measures to enhance impartiality, non-discrimination and transparency  
,  
Disciplines on fees,  
Release and clearance of goods,  
Border agency cooperation, Freedom of transit,  
Establishment and/or continued operation of national committee

**Q70: Additional information.**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q71: What have been the key factors in achieving successful reductions in trade costs? (Please choose no more than 5 options)**

Alignment of donor support with national priorities  
,  
Sustained engagement of development partners,  
Sustained political engagement and commitment by national authorities  
,  
Use of regional approach

**Q72: Additional information.**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q73: What outputs have been achieved by actions taken to reduce trade costs? (Please choose no more than 5 options)**

Updated customs legislation,  
New rules on transit, Greater transparency,  
Improved cooperation between border agencies,  
Improved border infrastructure

**Q74: Additional information.**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q75: What outcomes have been achieved by actions taken to reduce trade costs? (Please choose no more than 5 options)**

Reduction in border clearance times,  
Increase in customs revenue,  
Reduction in informal payments,  
Increase in traffic flows through border posts

**Q76: Additional information.**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q77: What impacts have been achieved by actions taken to reduce trade costs? (Please choose no more than 5 options)**

Diversification in export markets,  
Consumer welfare effects,  
Increase in foreign direct investment,  
Fall in poverty

**Q78: Additional information.**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q79: Which types of actions have achieved the most positive results in reducing trade costs for goods and services? (Please choose no more than 7 options)**

Customs reform, Other border agency reforms,  
Tariff reforms,  
Support for compliance with Non-Tariff Measures  
,  
Upgrading transport infrastructure

**Q80: Additional information.**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q81: What contribution can reducing trade costs make to the target of inclusive, sustainable growth? (Please choose no more than 7 options)**

Increase in exports, Rise in employment,  
Rise in female employment,  
Moving up value chains,  
Diversification in export markets,  
Foreign direct investment

**Q82: Additional information.**

*Respondent skipped this question*

**PAGE 50: H.1) IMPACT OF THE AID FOR TRADE INITIATIVE**

**Q83: Has the alignment of Aid-for-Trade support to your national needs and priorities changed since the launch of the Aid-for-Trade Initiative in 2005?**

Improved

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**Q84: If it has improved, please specify why.(You may tick more than one box)**

Better dialogue with donors,  
Better dialogue with South-South partners

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**Q85: Why has the alignment declined?(You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q86: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q87: What impact has the Aid-for-Trade Initiative had since it was launched in 2005?(You may tick more than 1 box)

Increase in resources available for trade development  
,  
More attention to trade issues in development ,  
More priority given by national authorities to trade issues in national development planning  
,  
More priority given by regional authorities to trade issues in development planning  
,  
More priority given by donors to trade issues in national development planning

Q88: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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Q89: What potential future contribution could the Enhanced Integrated Framework for LDCs make to the post-2015 development agenda? (Please choose no more than 5 options)

Mainstreaming of trade issues in national policy ,  
Engaging the private sector in national trade and development policy planning  
,  
Coherence in trade and development policy,  
Catalyst for Aid-for-Trade flows ,  
Contribution to inclusive, sustainable growth

Q90: Additional information.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q91: What potential future contribution could the Aid-for-Trade Initiative make to the post-2015 development agenda? (Please choose a maximum of 5 options)**

Contribution of financing for development,

Contribution to improving the business and regulatory environment

,

Ensuring continued attention to trade issues in development

,

Engaging the private sector in development issues

,

Making a contribution to economic growth and poverty eradication through inclusive, sustainable development

**Q92: Additional information.**

*Respondent skipped this question*

**Q93: How in your view could the Aid-for-Trade Initiative be improved?**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q94: Additional information on "Reducing trade costs and inclusive, sustainable growth". If there is anything you would like to add on the topic of "Reducing trade costs for inclusive, sustainable growth", which you feel has not been covered in this questionnaire, please use this box.**

*Respondent skipped this question*