

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION

This questionnaire is intended to solicit information about the progress made since 2008 and focuses in particular on the outputs and outcomes of trade-related co-operation programmes.

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COUNTRY: China

MINISTRY / AGENCY: Ministry of Commerce

TRADE RELATED COOPERATION POLICY

1. DID YOUR TRADE RELATED COOPERATION POLICIES CHANGE SINCE 2008?

YES

NO

1.1 If YES, what were the driving forces behind these changes?

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
The economic crisis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Changed development priorities in partner countries strategies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Changed priorities in strategies from regional bodies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Change of national leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Change in development priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New approaches, procedures and instruments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
More opportunities for triangular co-operation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please specify:

1.2 If YES, please elaborate on what these changes are:

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
New themes:					
• Greater focus on results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Climate change and green growth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Gender equality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The geographic focus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The regional dimension	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Phasing out of the trade related cooperation policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Please specify:</i>					

2. LOOKING AHEAD TO 2013, IS YOUR GOVERNMENT PLANNING A REVISION OF ITS APPROACH TO TRADE RELATED COOPERATION?

YES NO

2.1 If YES, please rate the changes your government is planning:

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
New themes:					
• Greater focus on results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Climate change and green growth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Gender equality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The geographic focus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The regional dimension	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Phasing out of the trade related cooperation policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Please specify:</i>					

RESOURCES

3. HAS DEMAND FROM PARTNER COUNTRIES FOR YOUR TRADE RELATED COOPERATION CHANGED SINCE 2008?

SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED INCREASED LITTLE/NO CHANGE DECLINED NOT SURE

3.1 If the demand increased, please describe from which countries and for the type of trade related support requested:

4. HAS THE DEMAND FOR REGIONAL TRADE RELATED COOPERATION PROGRAMMES CHANGED SINCE 2008?

SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED INCREASED LITTLE/NO CHANGE DECLINED NOT SURE

If the demand increased, please describe the regions and type of trade-related support requested: cross-border road and railway construction in Africa; infrastructure construction, such as road, bridges and telecommunications construction under the framework of Greater Mekong sub-regional cooperation.

5. HAS THE VOLUME OF YOUR TRADE RELATED COOPERATION PROGRAMMES CHANGED SINCE 2008?

SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED <input type="checkbox"/>	INCREASED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LITTLE/NO CHANGE <input type="checkbox"/>	DECLINED <input type="checkbox"/>	NOT SURE <input type="checkbox"/>
5.1 <i>If the volume increased, please describe the regions and type of the additional trade related cooperation provided: infrastructure construction and training in Asia and Africa</i>				
6. DO YOU HAVE INDICATIVE FORWARD LOOKING COOPERATION PLANS?				
YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		NO <input type="checkbox"/>		
6.1. <i>If YES, do these plans contain a specific share devoted to trade related cooperation?</i>				
YES <input type="checkbox"/>		NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
6.2 <i>If YES, please specify:</i>				

DELIVERY

7. HAS THERE BEEN PROGRESS IN STRENGTHENING DIALOGUE MECHANISMS BETWEEN YOU AND PARTNER COUNTRIES?				
SIGNIFICANTLY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MODERATELY <input type="checkbox"/>	HARDLY <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	NOT SURE <input type="checkbox"/>
7.1 <i>If YES, please describe and exemplify:</i> <i>At regional level, we discuss development and cooperation through regional cooperation mechanism, such as the ASEAN 10 +1, Forum on China-Africa Cooperation, Shanghai Cooperation Organization, China - Pacific Island Countries Economic Development Cooperation Forum, China - Caribbean Economic and Trade Cooperation Forum etc.</i> <i>At national level, we discuss and make cooperation plans with partner countries.</i>				
7.2 <i>Is the local private sector in partner countries involved in these dialogues?</i>				
ALWAYS	SOMETIMES	RARELY/NEVER	NOT SURE	
7.3 <i>Please elaborate on your experiences with the private sector in south-south cooperation:</i> <i>None</i>				

8. HAS MONITORING OF YOUR TRADE RELATED COOPERATION PROGRAMMES IMPROVED SINCE 2008?				
SIGNIFICANTLY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MOOERATELY <input type="checkbox"/>	HARDLY <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	NOT SURE <input type="checkbox"/>
8.1 <i>If there have been improvements, do you:</i>				
	ALWAYS	SOMETIMES	RARELY OR NEVER	NOT SURE
Use own monitoring arrangements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Involve partner countries	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Use joint monitoring arrangements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.2 <i>Please elaborate on your experiences with monitoring:</i>				
1. <i>Carry out feasibility studies together with partner countries.</i>				
2. <i>Project design will be reviewed and approved by both governments.</i>				
3. <i>Chinese side requests that quality management system be carried out during projects' implementation process. The project quality will be monitored periodically.</i>				
4. <i>Together with partner countries, we will also check project quality after the completion of the project.</i>				

IS TRADE-RELATED COOPERATION WORKING?

9. WITHIN YOUR TRADE RELATED COOPERATION ACTIVITIES, DO YOU DEFINE WHAT CONSTITUTES SUCCESS, EITHER AT THE LEVEL OF THE POLICY ITSELF OR AT THE LEVEL OF THE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES?

YES

NO

NOT SURE

9.1 If YES, how do you define success of your trade related cooperation?

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT
Enhanced understanding of the role of trade in economic development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased profile of trade in development strategies	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
More activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased exports	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased trade	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased economic growth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reduced poverty	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Greater environmental sustainability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Greater gender equality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please define:

9.2 Please illustrate with examples of both successful and unsuccessful trade related cooperation activities:

Kunming-Bangkok Expressway is the key part of North-South Economic Corridor under the framework of the Greater Mekong sub-regional cooperation. China and Thailand are responsible for their own sections. The section in Laos, which is 240km in length, is jointly funded by China, Thailand and the Asian Development Bank with a total investment of \$ 90 million. China invested 249 million yuan (U.S. \$ 30,000,000) and helped build 86 km in Laos, which was completed in May, 2006 and transferred to the Laotian side in July, 2006. The whole section in Lao was completed in March, 2008, which greatly promoted the economic development and trade activities in Greater Mekong sub-region.

10. HOW DEPENDENT IS THE SUCCESS OF YOUR TRADE-RELATED COOPERATION PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS ON COMPLEMENTARY POLICIES IN PARTNER COUNTRIES?

VERY IMPORTANT

PARTLY IMPORTANT

NOT IMPORTANT

NOT SURE

10.1 if important, how do you rate the importance of the following complementary policies in partner countries for the success of your trade related cooperation activities?

	VERY IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT
Fiscal policies	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monetary policies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Labour market policies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Competition policies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regulatory environment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Governance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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11. HAS YOUR GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKEN AN EVALUATION OF ITS TRADE RELATED COOPERATION PROGRAMMES OR PROJECTS?

YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NOT SURE <input type="checkbox"/>
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11.1 If NO, is your government planning an evaluation of its trade related cooperation programmes and projects?

YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	NOT SURE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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11.2 If YES, for when is the evaluation planned ?

2010 <input type="checkbox"/>	2011 <input type="checkbox"/>	2012 <input type="checkbox"/>	2013 <input type="checkbox"/>	2014 <input type="checkbox"/>	2015 <input type="checkbox"/>
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12. PLEASE INDICATE THE MAIN CHALLENGES YOUR GOVERNMENT FACED IN EVALUATING ITS TRADE RELATED COOPERATION PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS

	VERY IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT
Difficulties in setting quantifiable objectives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Difficulties in establishing a baseline	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Difficulty in obtaining in-country data	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Absence of suitable indicators	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budgetary constraints	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability of in-country staff to collect and report data	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability of partners to collect and report data	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please specify: NO specific aid for trade plan and related budget plan

13. HOW DOES YOUR GOVERNMENT ASSESS THE USEFULNESS OF MONITORING THE AID-FOR-TRADE INITIATIVE AT THE GLOBAL LEVEL?

POSITIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NEUTRAL <input type="checkbox"/>	NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/>	DON'T KNOW <input type="checkbox"/>
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13.1 What do you see as the Initiative's major challenges or areas for improvements?

1. Aid for Trade fund needs to be greatly improved. Developed countries should increase their aid efforts and honor their commitment.

2. Infrastructure investment needs to be improved, especially in regional traffic arteries.

3. We need to help partner countries to build their trade capacity and improve their strategic trade planning.