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1. COUNTRY

JAPAN

2. INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION

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3. ABOUT YOU

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4. Has your Aid-for-Trade strategy changed since 2010?

NO

5. If YES, please rate the importance of each of the following changes.

No Response

6. How has your total Aid-for-Trade expenditure changed since the onset of the economic crisis in 2009? (i.e. between 2009-2012).

Not sure

7. How do you expect your total Aid-for-Trade spending to change in the next 5 years?

Not sure

8. Looking ahead, what changes do you expect to your national Aid-for-Trade strategy in the next 5 years?

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
Budget cuts				X
Budget increases				X
Change in government and priorities				X
New priorities of development partners				X
Streamlining of countries receiving support				X
Streamlining of issues receiving support				X
More focus on LDCs				X
More focus on private sector development		X		
More focus on poverty reduction		X		
More focus on climate change and green growth		X		
More focus on gender equality		X		

More focus on regional integration	X
More focus on results	X
Other	X
Additional comments:	

9. What sources of financing will be the most important in meeting the trade-related capacity building needs of developing countries over the next 5 years?

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
Official development assistance	X			
Non-concessional financing	X			
Assistance from South-South partners		X		
Foreign direct investment	X			
Domestic private investment		X		
Domestic public investment		X		
Income remitted by migrants		X		
Corporate philanthropic foundations		X		
Additional comments:				

10. Please answer the same question, but just for least developed countries (LDCs). What sources of financing will be the most important to meet LDCs' trade related-capacity building needs of over the next 5 years?

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
Official development assistance	X			
Assistance from South-South partners		X		
Foreign direct investment	X			
Domestic private investment		X		
Domestic public investment		X		
Income remitted by migrants		X		
Corporate philanthropic foundations		X		
Additional comments:				

11. Was the private sector consulted in the development of your Aid-for-Trade strategy?

NOT SURE

12. If YES, please highlight which private sector groups were consulted.

No Response

13. Do you engage the private sector in the implementation of your Aid-for-Trade projects and programmes?

YES

14. If YES, please explain how the private sector is engaged.

	ALWAYS	SOMETIMES	NEVER	NOT SURE
Advice and expertise		X		
Counterpart funding		X		
Implementation of projects	X			
Project beneficiaries	X			
Participation in policy dialogues		X		
Participation in evaluation and learning		X		
Other				X
Additional comments:				

15. Please provide details of any public-private partnership(s) which support the implementation of your Aid-for-Trade strategy. Select the appropriate sectoral focus and provide weblinks where available.

Agri-business and food processing

Transport and logistics

http://www.jica.go.jp/english/news/press/2011/pdf/111102_01.pdf

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16. What benefits do you see in public-private partnerships?

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
Mobilization of non-aid sources of financing		X		
Sustainability after the end of donor support		X		
Transfer of private sector expertise		X		
Technology transfer		X		
Potential for bilateral trade growth		X		
Other		X		
Additional comments:				

17. What difficulties have you faced in establishing public-private partnerships?

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
Institutional resistance to engaging with the private sector			X	
Lack of interest among firms			X	
Preference of companies to pursue their own projects		X		
Unwillingness of private sector to provide counterpart funding				X
Different expectations of public and private sector		X		
Different speed of private and public sector implementation activities	X			
Rules on public-private partnerships				X
Other				X
Additional comments:				

18. Does your Aid-for-Trade strategy address value chain development issues?

YES

19. If YES, please identify which development objective(s) you are seeking to achieve through value chain development.

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
Economic growth	X			
Increase exports	X			
Promote export diversification		X		
Promote employment		X		
Poverty alleviation		X		
Women's economic empowerment		X		
Additional comments:				

20. What do you think are the main obstacles which developing country firms face in entering into value chains? Please rank the top 3 constraints (1 being the most serious constraint).

	1	2	3
Lack of comparative advantage			
Market entry costs			
Inadequate domestic infrastructure	X		
Burdensome border procedures in export markets		X	
Burdensome documentation requirements			
Limited access to trade finance			
Inability to attract foreign direct investment			
Lack of labour force skills			X
Structure of value chains			
Trade restrictions			
Standards compliance			
Additional comments:			

21. How does your Aid-for-Trade strategy seek to promote value chain development?

Creating conducive domestic enabling environment

Addressing infrastructure bottlenecks
Supporting private sector development activities
http://www.mofa.go.jp/region/africa/ticad/ticadfollow-up/report/annual/2011/report2011.pdf

22. How long have you been working on value chain development issues?

Since inception of institution or development policy

23. In which sectors do you have experience of your value chain development?

Agricultural products
Fish and fish products
Transportation
Communication services
Computer and information services
http://www.jica.go.jp/project/english/nigeria/006/index.html

24. Do you include the informal sector within the scope of your value chain development initiatives?

NO

25. If YES, please explain why.

No Response

26. Do you target your value chain development activities?

	YES	NO
On specific value chains or sectors		X
On specific types of firms (e.g. SMEs)		X
On specific countries		X
On specific regions	X	
On specific categories of countries		X
On women's economic empowerment		X
On sustainable development		X
Additional comments:		

27. Do you monitor results achieved by your value chain development activities?

NOT SURE

28. If YES, are these monitoring mechanisms based on a particular standard or approach?

No Response

29. Have you evaluated the development impact of your value chain development activities?

NOT SURE

30. If YES, did the evaluation(s) report changes in any of the following indicators?

No Response

31. Have you evaluated the development impact of your Aid-for-Trade strategy or activities?

YES

32. If YES, did the evaluation(s) report changes in any of the following indicators?

	POSITIVE CHANGE	NO CHANGE	NEGATIVE CHANGE
Economic growth in partner country	X		
Mobilization of foreign private investment	X		
Mobilization of domestic private investment	X		
Improvements in the partner country business climate	X		
Increased exports from the partner country	X		
Export diversification in the partner country	X		
More value addition in the partner country	X		

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More value addition in the partner country	X	
More SMEs in the sector able to export	X	
More employment		X
Poverty alleviation		X
Women's economic empowerment		X

Additional comments and weblinks if available: http://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/oda/evaluation/FY2011/text-pdf/aid_for_trade.pdf
http://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/oda/evaluation/seminars_and_workshops/other_seminars_and_workshops/aid_for_trade.pdf

33. Can you provide examples of where your Aid-for-Trade support and/or value chain has had any of the aforementioned impacts?

Private sector investment
Increased exports
Increased trade
http://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/oda/evaluation/FY2011/text-pdf/aid_for_trade.pdf