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PAGE 6: C.2.) YOUR GOVERNMENT'S AID-FOR-TRADE PRIORITIES

Q4: Do you have Aid-for-Trade priorities?	Unsure
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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)	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
Q6: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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

Respondent skipped this question

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

New development priorities,
New trade capacity needs,
Poverty reduction objectives

Q9: Additional information.

Respondent skipped this question

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

Yes

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

Unsure

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

Unsure

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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)

Respondent skipped this question

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?

No

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

Respondent skipped this question

Q17: Additional information.

Respondent skipped this question

PAGE 14: D.1) TRADE COSTS

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?

Unsure

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Q21: Which document(s) address(es) the issue of trade costs for exports ?

Respondent skipped this question

Q22: Additional information.

Respondent skipped this question

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

Very important

Q24: Additional information.

Respondent skipped this question

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

Unsure

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Q26: Which document(s) address(es) the issue of trade costs for imports?	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
Q27: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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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)	Tariffs, fees and other charges, Non-Tariff Measures (including standards), Transport infrastructure, Network infrastructure (ICT, power, telecoms)
Q29: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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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), Non-recognition of professional qualifications, Poor regulatory environment for services, Tariffs on product inputs (e.g. on computers for ICT services), , Low levels of skills in service sectors
Q31: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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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)	North America, Western Europe, Developed Asia
Q33: Indicate your home region.	Pacific Islands

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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)	Transport infrastructure, Network infrastructure (ICT, power, telecoms), Access to trade finance
Q35: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
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)	Unsure
Q37: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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

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Q40: Does your Government use any of the following sources to address the issue of trade costs? (You may choose more than 1 option)	Research with private sector, Research by government, Research by national academic institution, Research by donor funded project, World Bank Doing Business Index, World Customs Organizations Time Release Study
Q41: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
Q42: Do you validate the results? (You may tick more than 1 box)	Yes, dialogue with private sector, Yes, dialogue with national academic institution

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Q43: Additional information.

Respondent skipped this question

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Q44: Is your government taking national action to reduce trade costs?

Yes

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Q45: What national action is your government is taking?(You may tick more than 1 box)

National government initiatives,
Joint public-private sector initiatives,
Initiatives supported by development partners

Q46: Additional information.

Respondent skipped this question

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

Border procedures (trade facilitation),
Tariffs, fees and other charges,
Non-Tariff Measures (including standards),
Network infrastructure (ICT, power, telecoms),
Transport infrastructure,
Access to trade finance,
Network infrastructure (ICT, power, telecoms),
Transport infrastructure (e.g. for tourism),
Reforms of national regulatory frameworks for services
,
Tariffs on product inputs (e.g. on computers for ICT 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)	Free trade agreements, Joint public-private sector initiatives, Private sector initiatives, Initiatives supported by development partners
Q50: In which areas have regional actions been undertaken or are on-going? (You may tick more than 1 box)	Border procedures (trade facilitation), Non-Tariff Measures (including standards), Transport infrastructure, Network infrastructure (ICT, power, telecoms), Reforms of national regulatory frameworks for services
Q51: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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Q52: Is external support aligned with your national and regional needs to reduce trade costs ?	Unsure
Q53: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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Q54: How is external support aligned with your needs?(You may tick more than 1 box)	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
Q55: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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Q56: Why is external support not aligned with your needs?(You may tick more than 1 box)	Trade costs have not been included in the dialogue with donors , Trade costs have not been included in the dialogue with South-South partners , Trade costs have not been identified as an issue in the national development strategy , Trade costs have not been identified as an issue for regional partners
Q57: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

PAGE 34: F.1) TRADE FACILITATION AGREEMENT

Q58: What impact would implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement, when adopted, have on the evolution of your trade costs?	Between 0-10% reduction
Q59: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

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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)	Central and Eastern Europe, Developed Asia, Central Asia, South Asia, Pacific Islands
Q61: Additional information.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>

PAGE 36: F.1) TRADE FACILITATION AGREEMENT

Q62: Do you plan to seek Aid-for-Trade support to help implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement, when adopted ?	Yes, after TFA adoption
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
UNCTAD	2013
International Trade Centre	2012

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

Unsure

Q66: Please specify why.

Respondent skipped this question

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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 scheduling of commitments,
To support implementation of specific TFA provisions
,
To align support with on-going national reform programmes

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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)

Problems accessing external funds,
Accessing the necessary expertise,
Ensuring TFA implementation is a priority in national development planning documents
,
National coordination and demonstration of political will for TFA reform
,
Programming cycles,
Problems to quantify TFA implementation needs,
Ensuring coherence with past programmes,
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)

Publication and availability of information,
Border agency cooperation,
Formalities connected with importation, exportation and transit
,
Freedom of transit, Customs cooperation

Q70: Additional information.

Respondent skipped this question

PAGE 43: G.1) IMPACT: REDUCING TRADE COSTS AND INCLUSIVE, SUSTAINABLE GROWTH

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

Private sector engagement and commitment,
Alignment of projects with private sector priorities
,
Funding from development partners,
Sustained engagement of development partners,
Sustained political engagement and commitment by national authorities

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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)

Greater transparency,
Updated customs working practices,
Improved cooperation between border agencies,
Creation of trade facilitation committees,
Creation of dialogue with private sector

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)

Increase in customs revenue,
Reduction in informal payments,
Increase in import volumes

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,
Higher revenues for exporters,
Entry into new value chain, Rise in employment,
Rise in female employment,
Increase in foreign direct investment

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, Upgrading network infrastructure,
Working with trade partners to recognize professional qualifications

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 products,
Foreign direct investment, Reduction in poverty

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?

No change

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

Respondent skipped this question

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

Respondent skipped this question

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)

More priority given by regional authorities to trade issues in development planning

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More priority given by donors to trade issues in national development planning

Q88: Additional information.

Respondent skipped this question

PAGE 54: H.1) IMPACT OF THE AID FOR TRADE INITIATIVE

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

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 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

,

Positive impacts on women's economic empowerment

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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.

All the issues and matters concerning the Aid for Trade Initiatives has been addressed through the question airs, however i feel that there should be a needs assessment activity to be convened prior to implementing any activities or program (s) related to the Aid for Trade Initiatives.