

### 1. COUNTRY

No Response

### 2. INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION

WTO - World Trade Organization

### 3. ABOUT YOU

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

YES

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

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

*Additional comments:* Successive biennial technical assistance plans for the WTO Secretariat (2010-2011 and 2012-2013) have placed greater focus on results based management and a progressive learning strategy in WTO trade-related technical assistance. The Standards and Trade Development Facility (STDF) Medium-Term Strategy for 2012-2016 also places greater focus on results based management, promoting greater collaboration and interaction among partners and strengthening STDF's role as a knowledge platform.

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

Significant decrease (by more than 10%)

### 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?**

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More focus on results		X		
Other				
<i>Additional comments:</i>				

**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				
<i>Additional comments:</i>				

**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?**

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Foreign direct investment		X		
Domestic private investment		X		
Domestic public investment		X		
Income remitted by migrants		X		
Corporate philanthropic foundations				
<i>Additional comments:</i>				

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

NO

**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?**

NO

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

No Response

**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

The STDF supports developing countries to develop and implement projects that build SPS capacity and help the countries to gain and maintain trade. Responsibility for SPS issues is shared among different government agencies, but the private sector also plays a role. The STDF encourages projects that seek to enhance public-private sector coordination. Research work of the STDF in 2010, in collaboration with the Inter-American Development Bank, analyses the emergence, operation, and performance of selected SPS-related partnerships between government agencies responsible for food safety, animal and plant health and/or trade and the private sector.

**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				
<i>Additional comments:</i>				

**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				
Preference of companies to pursue their own projects				
Unwillingness of private sector to provide counterpart funding				
Different expectations of public and private sector		X		
Different speed of private and public sector implementation activities		X		
Rules on public-private partnerships				
Other		X		
<i>Additional comments:</i> Evidence for STDF's research work points to the benefits of partnerships in strengthening SPS measures, improving SPS outcomes, enhancing market access, etc. The work also points to key challenges inherent in developing and effectively implementing and managing PPPs in the SPS area (different organizational structure, inadequate trust, communication problems, differing expectations, staff turn-over, etc.). Expertise and skills to develop and manage PPPs are frequently short in supply.				

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

NO

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

No Response

**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			
Burdensome border procedures in export markets			
Burdensome documentation requirements			X
Limited access to trade finance		X	
Inability to attract foreign direct investment			
Lack of labour force skills			
Structure of value chains			
Trade restrictions		X	
Standards compliance			
<i>Additional comments: All the issues are important constraints.</i>			

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

Creating conducive trade policy regime

**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

Food products

Fish and fish products

STDF has supported projects in these areas. <http://www.standardsfacility.org/en/PGProStat.htm>

**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	
<i>Additional comments: Agrifood sector targeted by STDF.</i>		

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

YES

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

Results-based management

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

NO

**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?**

NO

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

No Response

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

Improved understanding of trade

More focus on trade in the national development plan

Increased trade

Many concrete projects (examples on STDF website <http://www.standardsfacility.org/en/PGProStat.htm>) which have helped countries to implement international standards for specific products, improve their SPS situation, and gain/maintain market access. Improved collaboration amongst providers of technical assistance in the SPS area and more effective delivery of coherent technical assistance (by using STDF/good practice work as a reference point).