PARTNER COUNTRY QUESTIONNAIRE ON AID FOR TRADE

This questionnaire is intended to solicit information about the progress made since the last self assessment in 2008. It focuses in particular on the outputs and outcomes of aid-for-trade strategies and programmes to further knowledge sharing.

If you did not answer the self assessment questionnaire in 2008 please complete that questionnaire first. The 2008 questionnaire establishes a baseline concerning how your trade strategy is mainstreamed in your national development strategy.

For further details or additional forms please visit www.oecd.org/dac/aft/questionnaire or contact the secretariats of the OECD [aft.monitoring@oecd.org] or the WTO [aft.monitoring@wto.org].

COUNTRY: ZIMBABWE

MINISTRY/AGENCY (coordinating the self assessment): MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE

A. YOUR AID-FOR-TRADE OBJECTIVES AND PRIORITIES

1. HAVE YOUR AID-FOR-TRADE OBJECTIVES CHANGED SINCE 2008?

YES ☐	NO ☑	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐

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

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
Changed trade capacity needs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Changed focus on:					
• Competitiveness	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
• Poverty reduction	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
• Green growth	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
• Gender equality	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
• Regional integration	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Other	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please specify:					

2. HAVE YOUR AID-FOR-TRADE PRIORITIES CHANGED SINCE 2008?

YES ☐	NO ☑	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐

2.1 If YES, please indicate your new aid-for-trade priorities in each sector. (Below are listed the most common priority areas grouped according to broad aid categories – please rank the top three NEW priority areas among the 12 listed.)

SECTOR		PRIORITY
Trade policy and regulations	Trade policy analysis, negotiations and Implementation	

	WTO accession costs	
	Trade facilitation	
Economic infrastructure	Network infrastructure (power, water, telecom)	
	Other transport	
	Cross-border Infrastructure	
Building productive capacity	Competitiveness	
	Value chains	
	Export diversification	
Other	Adjustment costs	
	Regional Integration	
	Other	

Please describe:

2.2 If your aid-for-trade objectives or priorities have changed since 2008, please explain what were the main drivers of these changes?

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT
The economic crisis	☐	☐	☐	☐
New development priorities	☐	☐	☐	☐
Change of government	☐	☐	☐	☐
Multilateral trade policy changes	☐	☐	☐	☐
Regional trade policy changes	☐	☐	☐	☐
National trade policy changes	☐	☐	☐	☐
Other	☐	☐	☐	☐

Please specify:

3. IF YOUR AID-FOR-TRADE OBJECTIVES OR PRIORITIES HAVE CHANGED, DID YOU MAINSTREAM THESE CHANGES INTO YOUR OVERALL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY?

YES ☐	NO ☐	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐

Please elaborate:

4. IF YOU HAVE OPERATIONAL STRATEGIES FOR YOUR AID-FOR-TRADE PRIORITIES (WITH ACTION PLANS, TIMELINES AND BUDGETS), DID YOU UPDATE THESE OPERATIONAL STRATEGIES TO REFLECT THE CHANGES IN YOUR AID-FOR-TRADE OBJECTIVES OR PRIORITIES?

YES ☐	NO ☐	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐

4.1 If NOT, are you planning to update these operational strategies with these new objectives or priorities?

YES ☑	NO ☐	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐

5.	DID YOU INCLUDE THESE NEW AID-FOR-TRADE OBJECTIVES OR PRIORITIES IN YOUR NATIONAL DIALOGUE WITH DONORS?		
YES ☐	NO ☑	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐
5.1	***If NOT, are you planning to include these new objectives or priorities in your national dialogue with donors?***		
YES ☑	NO ☐	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐

FOR LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

6.	ARE THE ENHANCED INTEGRATED FOCAL POINT AND COMMITTEE INVOLVED IN OVERSEEING AND COORDINATING YOUR TRADE AGENDA?		
YES ☐	NO ☐	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐
	Are all relevant ministries involved in the EIF process? ***Please detail:*** ***If NOT, what are the reasons?***		
6.1	***Do donors use the EIF structures to coordinate the support they offer?***		
YES ☐	NO ☐	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐

If YES, to what extent do donors:

	ALWAYS	SOMETIMES	RARELY/NEVER	NOT SURE
Use the DTIS Action Matrix as a basis for programming	☐	☐	☐	☐
Co-ordinate their actions with the help of the in-country donor facilitator	☐	☐	☐	☐
Other	☐	☐	☐	☐

Please specify:

7.	HAS THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE INTEGRATED FRAMEWORK HAD AN IMPACT ON YOUR ABILITY TO MAINSTREAM TRADE INTO YOUR NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN?				
SIGNIFICANT ☐	MODERATE ☐	INSIGNIFICANT ☐	TOO EARLY TO ASSESS ☐	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐
7.1	***Please elaborate further on what the EIF has allowed you to achieve now compared to before its enhancement:***				

B. AID-FOR-TRADE FINANCING[1]

8.	DO YOU KEEP TRACK OF EXTERNAL CONCESSIONAL FINANCING FLOWS AT THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT LEVEL?	
YES ☑	NO ☐	NOT SURE ☐

[1] The Aid for Trade Statistical Queries page offers access to aid-for-trade statistics (through the online interface called the Query Wizard for International Development Statistics, or QWIDS). Users can extract and download aid-for-trade statistics from 2002 onwards (i.e. volume, origin, and aid categories for over 150 developing countries and territories, including project-level information). The latest year for which information currently exists is 2008.

8.1 If YES, do you use one of the following tracking systems:

	YES	NO	NOT SURE
Aid Management Platform	☐	☑	☐
Development Assistance Database	☐	☑	☐
National accounting system	☑	☐	☐
Other	☐	☐	☐

Please specify:

8.2 If YES, did the volume of external financing for trade-related programmes and projects change since 2008:

	INCREASE	REMAIN STABLE	DECREASE	NOT SURE
DAC Donors (see glossary)	☐	☐	☐	☑
Non DAC Donors	☐	☐	☐	☑
South-South Providers	☐	☐	☐	☑
Multilateral donors	☐	☐	☐	☑
Private Development Assistance (NGOs)	☐	☐	☐	☑

8.3 If YES, do you know the share of different aid-for-trade providers in your overall aid-for–trade flows?

	> 90%	90-50%	50-25%	< 25%	NONE
DAC Donors (see glossary)	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Non DAC Donors	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
South-South Providers	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Multilateral donors	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Private Development Assistance (NGOs)	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐

9. COMPARED TO YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH OVERALL EXTERNAL FINANCING, DO YOU FACE ANY SPECIFIC CHALLENGES IN ACCESSING TRADE-RELATED FUNDING?

	YES	NO	NOT SURE
DAC Donors (see glossary)	☑	☐	☐
Non DAC Donors	☐	☑	☐
South-South Providers	☑	☐	☐
Multilateral donors	☑	☐	☐

9.1 If YES, please indicate which additional challenges you face:

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT
Eligibility	☑	☐	☐	☐

Conditionality	☑	☐	☐	☐
Predictability	☑	☐	☐	☐
Understanding procedures	☐	☑	☐	☐
Difficulties in designing "bankable" projects	☐	☐	☑	☐
Volume of available funding	☑	☐	☐	☐
Other	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please define:				

C. HOW DO YOU IMPLEMENT YOUR STRATEGY?

10. HAS THE ENTITY (OR ENTITIES) RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING YOUR AID-FOR-TRADE ACTIVITIES CHANGED SINCE 2008?

YES ☐	NO ☑	NOT SURE ☐	NOT APPLICABLE ☐

10.1 If YES, which entity or entities are now overseeing your aid-for-trade activities?

Ministry of Trade	☑	
Sector Ministries	☐	*Specify:*
Coordinating Ministry	☐	*Specify:*
National Committee	☐	*Specify:*
Other	☐	*Specify:*
No one	☐	

10.2 If YES, why did the changes take place? Please specify:

11. HAS THE DIALOGUE ON AID FOR TRADE BETWEEN YOUR GOVERNMENT AND DONORS BEEN STRENGTHENED SINCE 2008?

SIGNIFICANTLY ☐	MODERATELY ☑	RARELY/NO ☐	NOT SURE ☐

11.1 If YES, please describe and exemplify:

12. HAS THE DIALOGUE ON AID FOR TRADE BETWEEN YOUR GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL STAKEHOLDERS BEEN STRENGTHENED SINCE 2008?

SIGNIFICANTLY ☐	MODERATELY ☑	RARELY/NO ☐	NOT SURE ☐

12.1 If YES, please describe and exemplify:

13. ARE DONORS HARMONISING THEIR SUPPORT BETTER THAN PRIOR TO 2008?

SIGNIFICANTLY ☐	MODERATELY ☐	RARELY/NO ☑	NOT SURE ☐

13.1 How often do donors in your country coordinate through:

	ALWAYS	SOMETIMES	RARELY/NEVER	NOT SURE
Joint needs assessment	☐	☑	☐	☐
Co-financing	☐	☑	☐	☐

Sector-wide approaches	☐	☐	☑	☐
Joint implementation	☐	☑	☐	☐
Common monitoring	☐	☐	☑	☐
Joint evaluation	☐	☐	☑	☐
Other	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please elaborate:				

14. HAS THE MONITORING OF YOUR AID-FOR-TRADE PROGRAMMES IMPROVED SINCE 2008?

SIGNIFICANTLY ☐	MODERATELY ☐	RARELY/NO ☑	NOT SURE ☐

14.1 If YES, please describe how you improved the monitoring of aid-for-trade programmes:

15. HAVE DONORS ALIGNED THEIR SUPPORT BETTER AROUND YOUR COUNTRY'S TRADE-RELATED PRIORITIES SINCE 2008?

SIGNIFICANTLY ☐	MODERATELY ☐	RARELY/NO ☑	NOT SURE ☐

15.1 If donor support is better aligned, please describe how this was achieved:

15.2 If donor support is less aligned, please explain why and any steps you plan to take to reverse this trend: An Aid Co-ordination Policy has been put in place. A Procedures Manual is being drafted.

D. IS AID FOR TRADE WORKING?

16. HOW DO YOU DEFINE THE SUCCESS OF AID FOR TRADE IN YOUR COUNTRY?

	MOST IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	LESS IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT
Enhanced understanding of trade	☐	☑	☐	☐
Increased profile of trade in development strategy (mainstreaming)	☐	☑	☐	☐
More harmonised and aligned aid-for-trade projects and programmes	☐	☑	☐	☐
Increased aid-for-trade resources	☐	☑	☐	☐
Increased exports	☐	☑	☐	☐
Increased trade	☐	☑	☐	☐
Diversified exports	☐	☑	☐	☐
Increased economic growth	☐	☑	☐	☐
Reduced poverty	☐	☑	☐	☐
Greater environmental sustainability	☐	☑	☐	☐
Greater gender equality	☐	☑	☐	☐

Other	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please define:				

17. IN YOUR COUNTRY, DID AID FOR TRADE RESULT IN:

	SIGNIFICANT	MODERATE	INSIGNIFICANT	NOT SURE	NOT APPLICABLE
Enhanced understanding of trade	☐	☑	☐	☐	☐
Increased profile of trade in development strategy (mainstreaming)	☐	☐	☑	☐	☐
More harmonised and aligned aid-for-trade programmes	☐	☐	☑	☐	☐
Increased aid–for-trade resources	☐	☑	☐	☐	☐
Increased exports	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Increased trade	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Diversified exports	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Increased economic growth	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Reduced poverty	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Greater environmental sustainability	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Greater gender equality	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Others	☐	☐	☐	☑	☐
Please define:					

17.1 Please illustrate with examples of both successful and unsuccessful aid-for-trade process, approaches and programmes: The Chirundu One Stop Border Post was a success. Capacity Building Programmes done.

18. IN YOUR COUNTRY HOW DEPENDENT IS THE SUCCESS OF AID FOR TRADE ON COMPLEMENTARY POLICIES?

VERY IMPORTANT ☑ | SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT ☐ | NOT IMPORTANT ☐ | NOT SURE ☐

18.1 If important, how do you rate the importance of the following complementary policies?

	VERY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NOT SURE
Fiscal policies	☑	☐	☐	☐
Monetary policies	☑	☐	☐	☐
Labour market policies	☐	☑	☐	☐
Regulatory environment	☑	☐	☐	☐
Governance	☑	☐	☐	☐
Other	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please elaborate:				

19. DO YOU DISCUSS COMPLEMENTARY POLICIES IN THE AID FOR TRADE DIALOGUE WITH:				
	YES	SOMETIMES	NOT	NOT SURE
DAC Donors	☐	☑	☐	☐
Non DAC donors	☐	☑	☐	☐
South-South Providers	☐	☐	☑	☐
Multilateral donors	☑	☐	☐	☐
Your private sector	☑	☐	☐	☐
Other	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please elaborate:				
19.1 Please illustrate the importance of complementary policies with examples of both successful and unsuccessful aid-for-trade process, approaches and programmes:				

20. HOW DOES YOUR GOVERNMENT ASSESS THE MONITORING OF THE GLOBAL AID-FOR TRADE INITIATIVE TO DATE?			
POSITIVE ☑	NEUTRAL ☐	NEGATIVE ☐	DON'T KNOW ☐
20.1 What do you see as major challenges or areas for improvements:			

21. ARE THERE ANY PARTICULAR EXAMPLES OF YOUR AID-FOR-TRADE PROCESSES, PROGRAMMES OR PROJECTS THAT HAVE OBTAINED GOOD RESULTS OR BAD THAT YOU THINK COULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF GOOD PRACTICES?

Chirundu One Stop Border Post, Trade Capacity Building Programme, Energy Facility.

22. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO RAISE ANY ISSUE THAT HAS NOT BEEN ADDRESSED IN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE AND THAT YOU CONSIDER WORTHWHILE TO RAISE: