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**Q1: Country or customs territory**

AUSTRIA

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**Q2: About you**

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**Q3: Do you have an Aid-for-Trade Strategy?**

No

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**Q4: If no, please indicate if your development policy  
includes trade priorities.**

Yes

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**Q5: Below are listed the most common priority areas grouped according to broad Aid-for-Trade categories. If yes, please rank the top 5 priorities areas among the items listed.(1 being the most important)**

Network infrastructure (power, water, telecommunications)	1
Connecting to value chains	2
Services development	3

Additional information : please specify further the priorities that you selected above as well as the main problems/obstacles encountered in furthering them and provide a weblink to the relevant strategy.

As was pointed out in 2014, AfT forms part of other ADC strategy documents. Traditionally there are 3 fields of intervention which touch upon Aid for Trade: 1) Improving the business climate, which by definition is part of "Trade development", is an integral part of the Austrian strategy document on "Private Sector and Development". 2) Renewable energy generation – being part of "trade related infrastructure" is a traditional field of intervention of both, the Austrian Development Agency and the Austrian Development Bank. 3) Finally, there is the main instrument for working with the private sector, called "business partnerships". Within this programme, several projects aim to set up supply chains, e.g. on fruits or herbs. A particular programme promoting imports from developing countries to Austria – implemented closely with other European donors – is going to start soon.  
[http://www.entwicklung.at/fileadmin/user\\_upload/Dokumente/Publikationen/Leitlinien/Englisch/PD\\_Energy\\_July2010\\_EN.pdf](http://www.entwicklung.at/fileadmin/user_upload/Dokumente/Publikationen/Leitlinien/Englisch/PD_Energy_July2010_EN.pdf)  
[http://www.entwicklung.at/fileadmin/user\\_upload/Dokumente/Unternehmen/Englisch/Guidelines\\_for\\_Business\\_Partnerships.pdf](http://www.entwicklung.at/fileadmin/user_upload/Dokumente/Unternehmen/Englisch/Guidelines_for_Business_Partnerships.pdf)

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<b>Q6: Has your Aid-for-Trade strategy changed since 2014?</b>	No
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<b>Q7: If yes, what are the top 3 drivers of these changes? (Please choose no more than 3 options)</b>	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
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<b>Q8: How has your Aid-for-Trade spending changed since 2014?</b>	No change
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**Q9: How do you expect your Aid-for-Trade spending to change in the next 5 years?**

Between 0-10% increase ,

Additional information on how you expect your Aid-for-Trade spending to change in the next 5 years. There might be a slight increase due to increased cooperation with the private sector.

**Q10: Looking ahead, what changes do you expect to your Aid-for-Trade strategy in the next 5 years?**

More focus on climate change and green growth ,  
More focus on private sector development

**Q11: Are you engaging with the private sector in the design, delivery and monitoring of your Aid-for-Trade programmes?**

Yes

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**Q12: If yes, how are you engaging with the private sector:**

Project or programme implementation,  
Private sector associations in partner countries,  
Private sector associations in donor country,  
Additional information on how you are engaging with the private sector in the design, delivery and monitoring of your Aid-for-Trade programmes. Although there is no specific Aid for Trade strategy - see point 5. - there are some general remarks on engaging with the private sector - see above.

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**Q13: In your view, can Aid for Trade make a contribution to the achievement of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda ?**

Yes

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**Q14: If yes, please specify which Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) you think that Aid for Trade may help to achieve? Sustainable Development Goals:**

1. No poverty , 7. Affordable and clean energy ,  
8. Decent work and economic growth ,  
9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure ,  
12. Responsible consumption and production ,  
Additional information on how Aid-for-Trade can contribute to the achievement of the SDGs.  
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**Q15: Are you integrating women's economic empowerment into your Aid-for-Trade programmes?**

Unsure,

Additional information on how women's economic empowerment is being integrated into your Aid-for-Trade programmes? (e.g. indicating how these programmes are attempting to impact women and marginalized groups)  
ADC runs specific projects on womens economic empowerment.

**Q16: Have you undertaken an evaluation of your Aid-for-Trade support?**

No

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**Q17: Is trade facilitation reflected as a priority in your Aid-for-Trade programming? (You may tick more than 1 box)**

No

**Q18: Are you providing Aid-for-Trade support to implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement? (You may tick more than 1 box)**

Yes, funding to regional/multilateral TFA implementation mechanism

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**Q19: If yes, how are you programming Trade Facilitation Agreement implementation support?(You may tick more than 1 box)**

Other (please specify),

Additional information on how you are programming Trade Facilitation Agreement implementation support.  
Unearmarked funding to the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement Facility; contribution 2015/ € 100.000,-  
contribution 2016/ € 100.000,-

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**Q20: In which regions are you providing Aid-for-Trade support to implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement? (You may tick more than one box)**

Unsure

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**Q21: For implementation of which disciplines of the Trade Facilitation Agreement are you providing Aid-for-Trade support?(You may tick more that 1 box)**

Additional information on disciplines of the Trade Facilitation Agreement for which you are providing Aid-for-Trade support, for example with respect to specific measures within articles (e.g. single window, authorized operator, etc.).  
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**Q22: What difficulties, if any, are you facing in programming and providing support to partner countries or regional economic communities to implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement?(You may tick more than 1 box)**

Additional information on difficulties, if any, are you facing in programming and providing support to partner countries or regional economic communities to implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement.  
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**Q23: Are you working with the private sector to support implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement?**

Unsure

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**Q24: If yes, how are you engaging with the private sector:(You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

## PAGE 26: SECTION 3 : E-COMMERCE

**Q25: Does e-commerce (or other digital strategy) feature among the priorities in your national development policy?**

No

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**Q26: If yes, please indicate which of the following is included: (You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q27: Do you have any special policy initiatives that cover the area of e-commerce (or other digital strategy)?**

No

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**Q28: Does e-commerce feature in your in-country dialogues with partner countries?**

No

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**Q29: If yes, please indicate which of the following is included: (You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

**Q30: If yes, please indicate how demand from partner countries for e-commerce support has grown in the past 5 years:**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q31: Does e-commerce feature in your dialogues with regional partners e.g. regional economic communities or transport corridors?**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q32: If yes, please indicate which of the following : (You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

**Q33: If yes, please indicate how demand from regional partners for e-commerce support has grown in the past 5 years:**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q34: What types of support are you offering for e-commerce development?(You may tick more than 1 box)**

None

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**Q35: Are you working with the private sector to support growth in e-commerce in partner countries and regions?**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q36: Based on your experience of e-commerce support programmes, please indicate the main issues that firms and consumers in your partner countries face in accessing and using internet services?(You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q37: What are the most common trade issues that you encounter in your e-commerce support programmes? (You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q38: Do you anticipate a growth in future demand from partner countries and regional partners in the area of e-commerce?**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q39: If yes, please elaborate:**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q40: In your view, can growth in e-commerce in partner countries and regions make a contribution to women's economic empowerment?**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q41: Does your development policy or Aid-for-Trade strategy include trade-related infrastructure development priorities?**

Yes

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**Q42: Do you have any special policy initiatives that cover the area of infrastructure or trade-related infrastructure specifically?**

Yes,

Additional information on any special policy initiatives that cover the area of infrastructure or trade-related infrastructure specifically.

The "Vienna Energy Forum (VEF)" is a biannual Forum; its next edition will be in 2017. It focuses on Sustainable Energy for Inclusive Development. The last VEF 2015 was jointly organised by UNIDO, Austrian Development Cooperation (ADC), IASA and SE4All. The main purpose of the VEF is to facilitate a multi-sectorial, multi-stakeholders and interdisciplinary dialogue on sustainable energy for inclusive development. The Forum brings together policy makers, civil society and private sector representatives and academia to identify opportunities and challenges, share best and good practices, forge networks, intensify international cooperation and engage in concrete energy business partnerships in the context of SE4All.

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**Q43: Does trade-related infrastructure feature in your in-country dialogues with partner countries?**

Yes

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**Q44: If yes, please indicate which of the following : (You may tick more than 1 box)**

ENERGY-RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE,

Energy distribution infrastructure,

Other (please specify),

Additional information on how trade-related infrastructure features in your in-country dialogues with partner countries.

In addition to "energy distribution", the generation of renewable energy is a key concern.

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**Q45: Does trade-related infrastructure feature in your dialogues with regional partners (e.g. regional economic communities or transport corridors)?**

Yes

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**Q46: If yes, please indicate which of the following services trade sectors feature as priority sectors in your national development strategy :(You may tick more than 1 box)**

ENERGY-RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE,

Energy distribution infrastructure,

Other (please specify)

In addition to "energy distribution", the generation of renewable energy is a key concern of the cooperation with the regional economic communities in Western and Southern Africa.

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**Q47: Do your programmes link trade-related infrastructure to the development of related services sectors?**

Yes

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**Q48: If yes, please specify which services sectors feature as priority sectors in your national development strategy. (You may tick more than 1 box)**

Other (please specify),

Additional information on service sectors that feature as a priority in your development programmes.  
Access to sustainable and affordable energy services.

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**Q49: Which service sectors do you expect will support implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement and will help realize associated economic benefits in partner countries? (You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q50: Do your development programmes link growth in services capacity and services trade to growth in industrial capacity and manufacturing exports?**

No

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**Q51: If yes, please specify which services sectors are identified for growth in industrial capacity and manufacturing. (You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q52: What are the main issues constraining growth in national services capacity and trade in your partner countries? Issues constraining growth : (You may tick more than 1 box)**

Access to finance,  
Education and vocational training,  
Low levels of foreign direct investment

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**Q53: Does your Aid-for-Trade programming include actions to improve the investment climate in partner countries?**

Yes

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**Q54: If yes, please specify how: (You may tick more than 1 box)**

By reducing risk for investors,  
By upgrading economic infrastructure to attract foreign direct investment (in the production sector)

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**Q55: What Aid-for-Trade actions have you taken to support national or regional initiatives to improve the investment climate in partner countries during the past 5 years? (You may tick more than 1 box)**

Embedding investment policy in overall development strategy  
,  
Focusing on public governance and institutions,  
Additional information on Aid-for-Trade actions to support national or regional initiatives to improve investment climate reforms in partner countries in the past 5 years.  
1st box implicitly concerns policies regarding investment in Renewable energy.

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**Q56: Are you providing specific assistance and capacity building to help LDCs utilize services waiver opportunities?**

No

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**Q57: If yes, what kind of support are you providing? (You may tick more than 1 box)**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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**Q58: In your view, can the development of services trade contribute to women's economic empowerment?** Yes

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**Q59: If yes, please specify in which services sectors? Services sectors:(You may tick more than 1 box)**

Accountancy services, Advertising services,  
FINANCIAL SERVICES,  
HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES,  
TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES

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**Q60: CONSULTATION** Please list other ministries/agencies consulted in preparing this questionnaire reply.

*Respondent skipped this question*

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