



**Committee on Trade and Development
Aid for Trade**

**2022 GLOBAL REVIEW
LAUNCH OF THE AID-FOR-TRADE MONITORING EXERCISE**

"EMPOWERING CONNECTED SUSTAINABLE TRADE"

JOINT OECD-WTO INFORMATION NOTE¹

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1. This information note launches the joint OECD-WTO monitoring and evaluation (M&E) exercise. This exercise underpins the WTO's 2022 Global Review of Aid for Trade on "Empowering Connected Sustainable Trade". The M&E exercise explores this theme in detail. Responses to the self-assessment formats will be analysed in the "Aid for Trade at a Glance" publication and inform discussion at the 2022 Global Review.

2 SELF-ASSESSMENT FORMATS

2.1. The M&E exercise is a self-assessment exercise. Respondents are invited to complete the survey on-line using the electronic survey tool. Electronic links to the survey tools are provided in the table, together with electronic links to Word and PDF formats of each questionnaire.

Questionnaire Type		Survey Links
Partner Country	English	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/PAR22EN WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.1 in Word and PDF format
	French	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/PAR22FR WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.1 in Word and PDF format
	Spanish	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/PAR22ES WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.1 in Word and PDF format
Donor	English	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/DON22EN WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.3 in Word and PDF format
	French	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/DON22FR WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.3 in Word and PDF format
	Spanish	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/DON22ES WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.3 in Word and PDF format
South-South	English	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/SOU22EN WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.4 in Word and PDF format
	French	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/SOU22FR WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.4 in Word and PDF format
	Spanish	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/SOU22ES WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.4 in Word and PDF format

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2.2. Respondents are encouraged to consult the full questionnaire before responding to it. They are also encouraged and to liaise with other relevant government officials to ensure a comprehensive reply. Respondents may also find it useful to refer to an issues paper on "Sustainable Trade, Circular Economy and Aid for Trade" ([WT/COMTD/AFT/W/87](#)).

2.3. All information collected through the monitoring and evaluation exercise will be made publicly available through the website <http://www.aid4trade.org>. Information collected will be examined and an analysis of it published in a joint OECD-WTO publication "Aid for Trade at a Glance 2022".

2.4. A separate questionnaire is also being addressed to Regional Economic Community and Transport Corridors. Electronic links to Word and PDF formats of this questionnaire are provided below.

Questionnaire Type		Survey Links
Regional Economic Community and Transport Corridors	English	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/REC22EN WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.2 in Word and PDF format
	French	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/REC22FR WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.2 in Word and PDF format
	Spanish	Online survey: www.surveymonkey.com/R/REC22ES WT/COMTD/AFT/W/88/Add.2 in Word and PDF format

2.5. Members facing difficulties in responding to the questionnaires in the online format may submit their responses by email to aft.monitoring@wto.org. This same address should be used to address questions or to seek support from the Aid-for-Trade unit in completing the self-assessment questionnaires.

2.6. The deadline for the submission of completed monitoring formats is **31 December 2021**.

3 OUTREACH TO SUPPORT COMPLETION OF THE SELF-ASSESSMENT FORMATS

3.1. Outreach activities are being scheduled to publicize the exercise and to assist respondents to complete the self-assessment formats. The following **online** training sessions have been programmed (all schedules are in Geneva time):

- 4 November 2021, 15:30-17:00, Latin America and the Caribbean (in English and Spanish)
- 9 November 2021, 09:30-11:00, Africa (in English only)
- 9 November 2021, 15:00-16.30, Africa (in French only)
- 10 November 2021, 9:00-10.30, Asia (in English only)

3.2. A separate communication will be addressed to Members inviting them to nominate officials to participate in the outreach activities and to submit the self-assessment formats.

4 MONITORING AND EVALUATION SURVEY THEMES

4.1. The self-assessment questionnaires were approved by the Committee on Trade and Development Aid for Trade at its meeting on 8 October 2021. The formats are structured around three main themes. First, the formats seek to survey Aid-for-Trade needs and priorities, and how these may have evolved over time, particularly in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Second, the formats analyse how environmentally sustainable approaches are being programmed into trade and development policies – and how Aid for Trade can support that process. One particular issue examined is the interface between sustainable development and economic/export diversification. Another dimension explored is the interface between digital connectivity and sustainable development. Third, the M&E exercise will ask respondents to shed light on how women's economic empowerment is being mainstreamed into their trade and development policies.