

10th Session of Multi-Year Expert Meeting on Trade, Services, and Development

The role of trade and services for enhancing science, technology and innovation to promote a fair transition to sustainable energy

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The Multi-year Expert meeting (MYEM) on Trade, Services and Development is a series of annual meetings that address the role of trade in services in economic diversification. This year, the tenth MYEM on Trade, Services and Development will discuss the role of trade and services for enhancing science, technology and innovation to promote a fair transition to sustainable energy, and will be held from 10 to 12 July 2023 ([weblink](#)).

The UNCTAD Secretariat is collecting inputs and views that will contribute to the discussion at the MYEM and to a publication on services, trade, and development series. We would be grateful if you could kindly respond to the following questions based on your experience in your country or region.

1. What are the most relevant service sectors for energy transition in your country? What are the critical challenges in improving the performance of those service sectors?
2. What has been the role of trade in stimulating innovation in these services sectors to render them “fit for purpose” in support of sustainable energy? Are there specific policies or incentives that have worked well?
3. Can you cite one or two renewable energy projects that have successfully enhanced innovation in related service sectors such as infrastructure, ICT, engineering, business, and financial services? Do these projects have a trade component?
4. Can you provide examples of bilateral, regional or multilateral trade agreements or cooperation frameworks that your country is part of, to promote the transition to sustainable energy? Do they consider concerns related to service sector development?
5. In your country, what are the institutional arrangements with respect to regulating service sectors? Who are the main actors in the coordination mechanism? Please consider using examples of regulation in specific service sectors.

Please indicate the details of a contact person(s) in case we need clarification on the inputs. Kindly send your responses and any further inputs to the UNCTAD Secretariat by e-mail to TSCE@un.org by **30 June 2023**.

We look forward to receiving your valuable input.