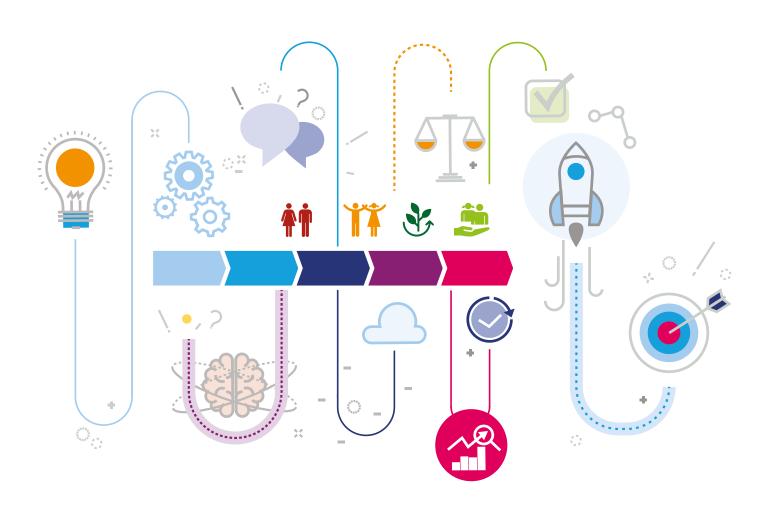


Mainstreaming sustainable and inclusive trade

Guidelines for International Trade Centre projects







ABOUT THE GUIDE

Inclusive and sustainable development objectives are at the heart of all projects at the International Trade Centre. This guide offers a one-stop approach for project managers to consistently embed these objectives into ITC projects.

Gender, youth, green growth and social responsibility are the focus of this guide. Project managers can integrate these areas in the entire project cycle, from development to implementation and evaluation. The project development phase is key, as it is setting the basis for the entire project life and impact.

Mainstreaming sustainable and inclusive development will support ITC in its contribution towards the Agenda 2030 and our vision of 'good trade'.

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Foreword

We are living in a time of change and transformation. The way we produce, trade and consume is changing and we are in the midst of three major revolutions – the digital revolution, a social revolution and an ecological revolution. In this ecological revolution, elements such as mitigating and adapting to climate change, addressing the blue and green economy and supporting greater sustainable production and consumption are at the centre.

The International Trade Centre (ITC) supports 'good trade' and a key ingredient of this is trade that creates positive and inclusive economic, social and environmental impacts. It provides entrepreneurial opportunities, particularly for women, young people and poor communities, and it is climate smart.

At ITC, we aim to deliver for the Sustainable Development Goals, and it is essential that all our projects and activities contribute to these goals and help to inform the debate around the ecological revolution. This is why we have developed these guidelines for project managers to mainstream sustainable and inclusive development objectives into our projects and interventions. In our work with partners in-country we stress the importance of mainstreaming environmental sustainability into their trade and other policies and activities. It is therefore important that we do the same at 'home'.

By integrating sustainability and inclusiveness in a more deliberate way into our projects, we will provide better support to our partners and beneficiaries in the countries where we work, including micro, small and medium-sized enterprises, business support institutions, policymakers and the business community.

This guide will ensure that our projects adhere to practices and standards that will both contribute to poverty alleviation and improved livelihoods, while taking environmental risks and resource scarcity into account. We hope that these guidelines will also inspire development partners to join us in our journey towards good trade – and by doing so contribute to our shared commitment to protect the environment, and ensure more sustainable and inclusive trade and development.

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Introduction

Embedding the objectives of sustainable and inclusive development into our work is key to achieve ITC's vision of 'good trade' in the context of the United Nations 2030 Development Agenda and related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The objective of this guide is to support ITC's projects integrate inclusiveness, green growth and social responsibility perspectives in project design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation.

Mainstreaming of these aspects helps ensure deeper socio-economic impact and better sustainability. It also contributes to reducing a range of risks.

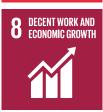
Mainstreaming strengthens ITC's role as a multiplier of sustainable and inclusive development with business ecosystem stakeholders, including micro, small and medium-sized enterprises, institutions, policymakers and market partners.

It also helps to demonstrate towards funders and other stakeholders that sustainability objectives are fully integrated in our work.

This is a first edition. Please use the guide – and share your insights and suggestions with us on where it can be improved so these suggestions can be integrated in a second edition.























Good trade contributes to achieving the SDGs. ITC contributes to 10 SDGs and 23 SDG targets.

How to use the guide

This guide is set up in modules to make it easier to use. Project managers can go directly to the modules corresponding to their particular interests. Each focus area is colour coded to assist readers in using the guide.

Gender





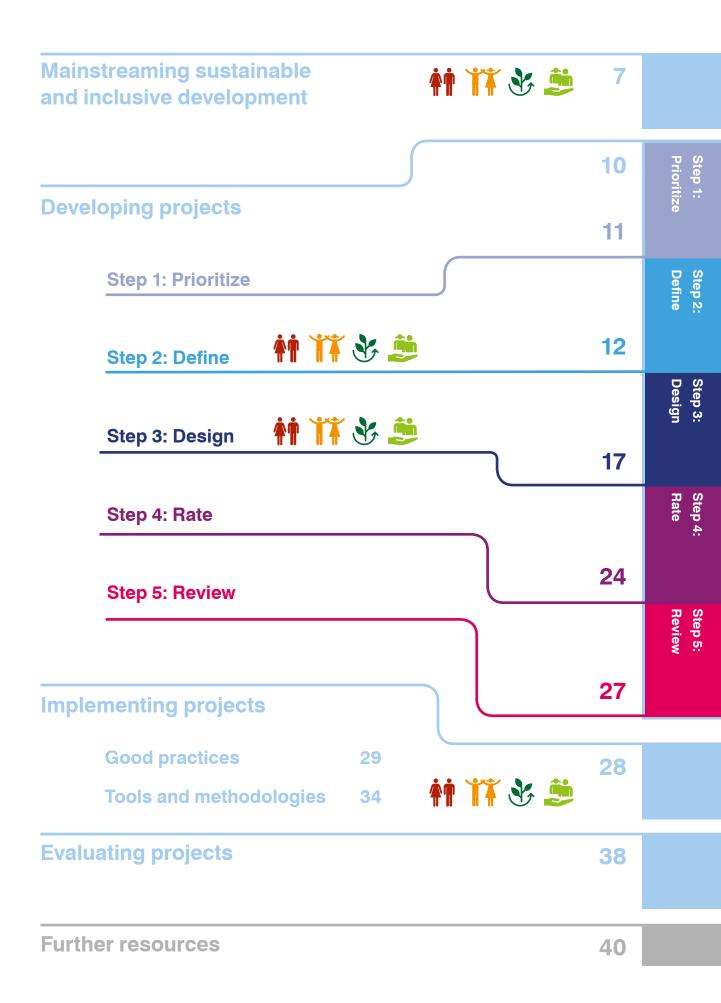


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Acronyms

Unless otherwise specified, all references to dollars (\$) are to United States dollars, and all references to tons are to metric tons.

ICT Information and communications technology

ILO International Labour Organization

ITC International Trade Centre

MSME Micro, small and medium-sized enterprise

SDG Sustainable Development Goals
SME Small and medium-sized enterprise

T4SD Trade for Sustainable Development programme
TVET Technical, vocational education and training

UN-SWAP UN System-wide action plan

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