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**Review of the Technical  
Cooperation Activities of UNCTAD  
and Their Financing**

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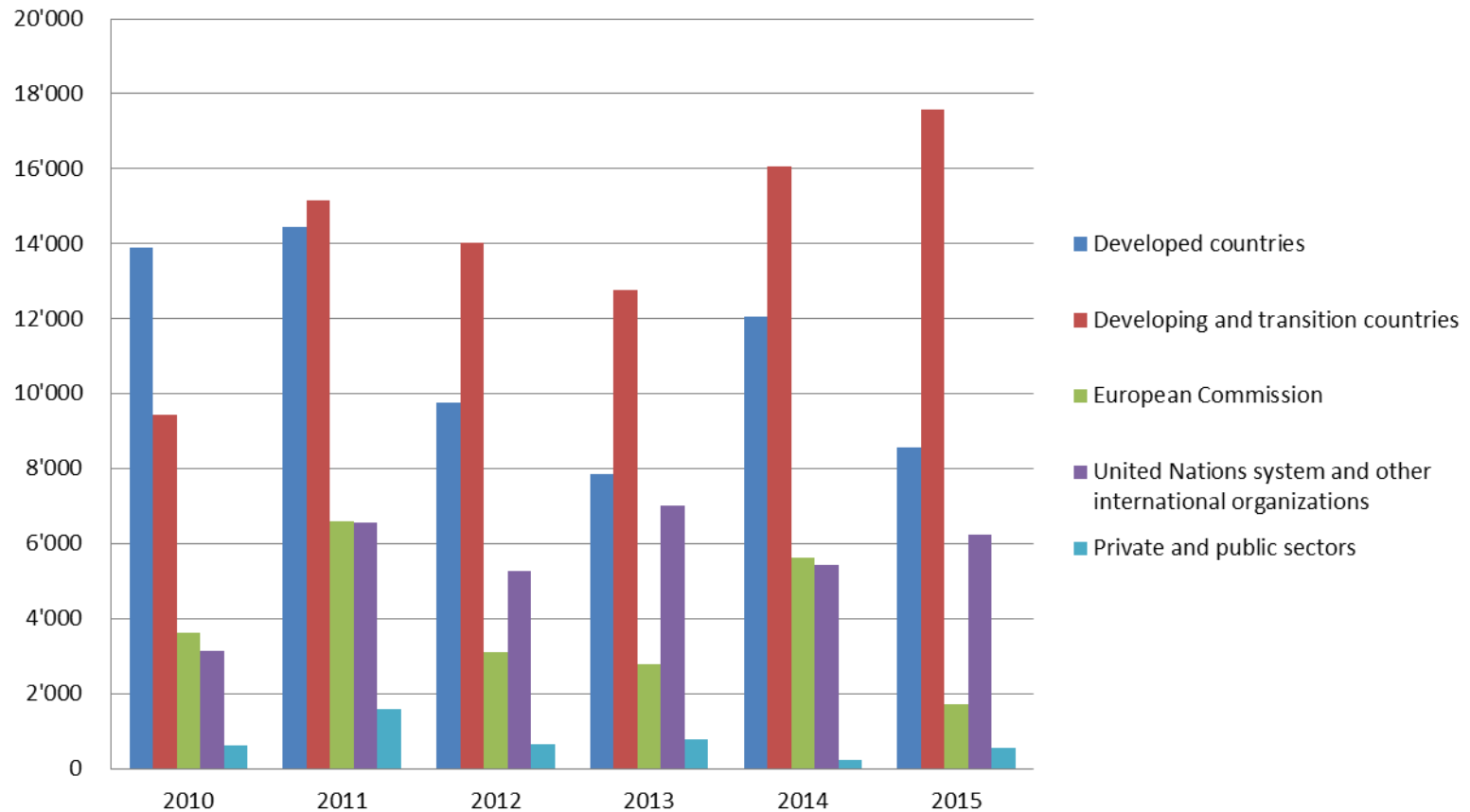
# Presentation Outline

- ❑ TC Funding sources
- ❑ Expenditures and allocation of TC resources
- ❑ Structure and functioning of TC
- ❑ Way forward

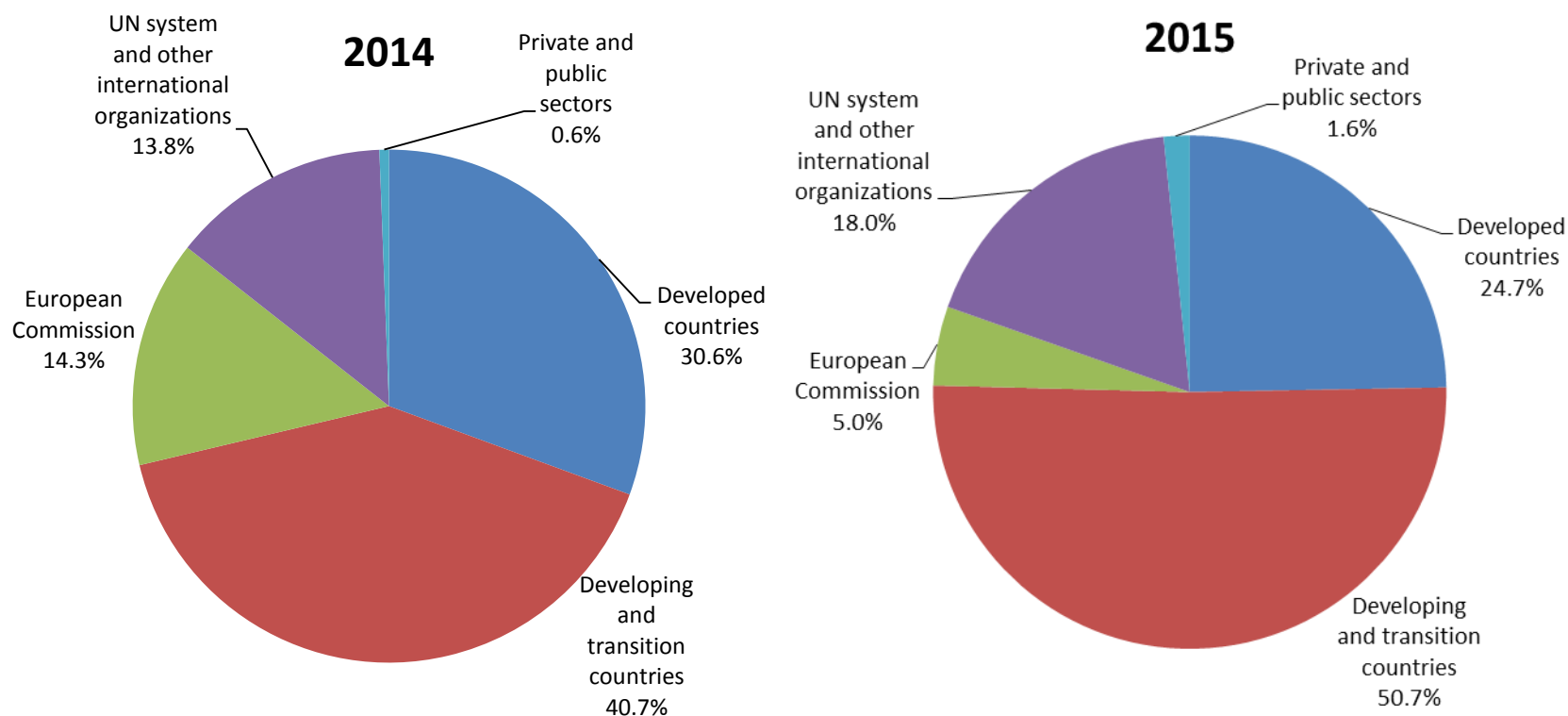


# Funding source: Trust fund contributions

Sources of UNCTAD trust fund contributions, 2010-2015  
(in thousands of US dollars)

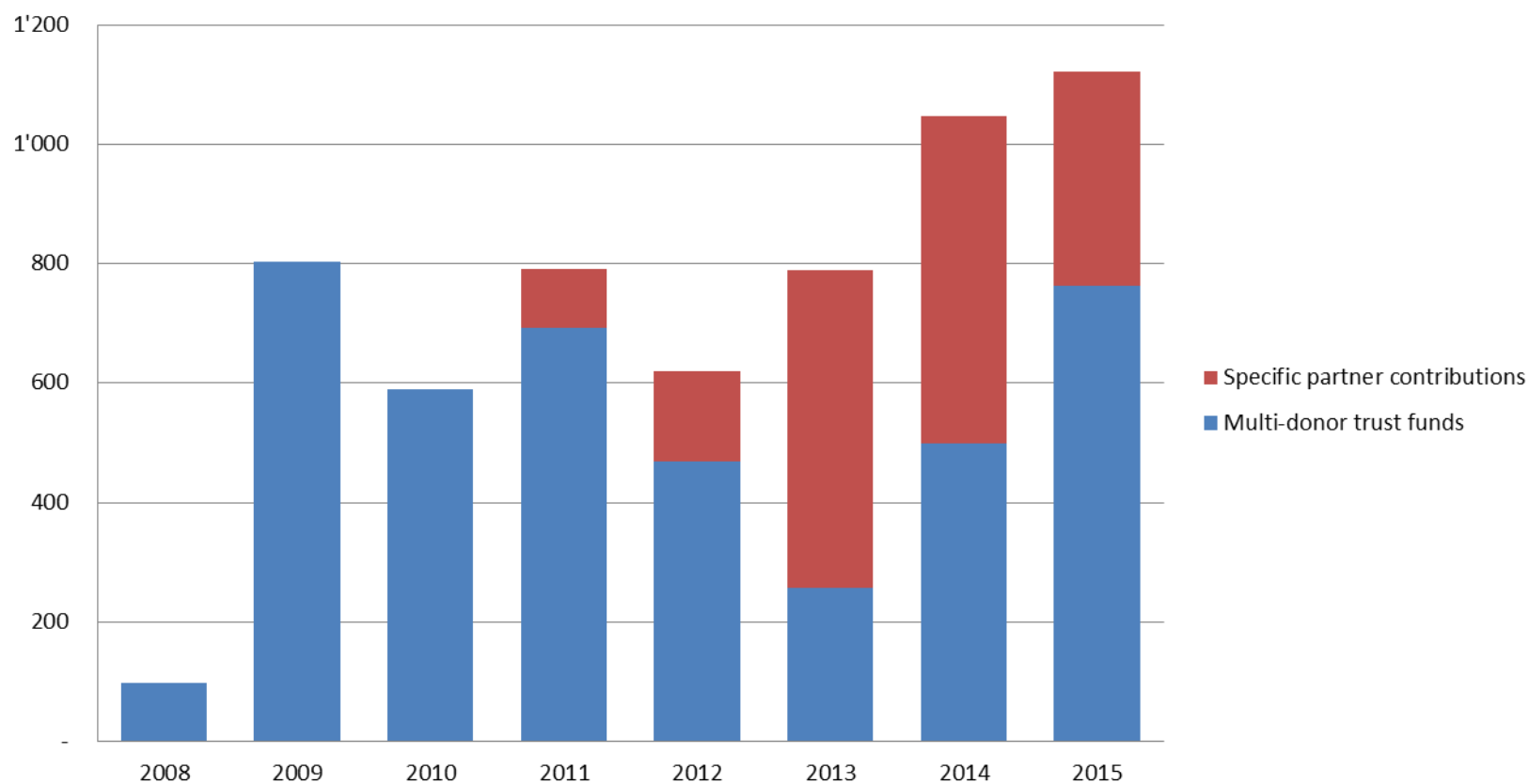


# Funding source: Origins of trust fund contributions



# Funding source: «Delivering as One» funding mechanisms

UNCTAD Access to "Delivering as One" Funding Mechanism,  
2008-2015 (In thousands of US dollars)



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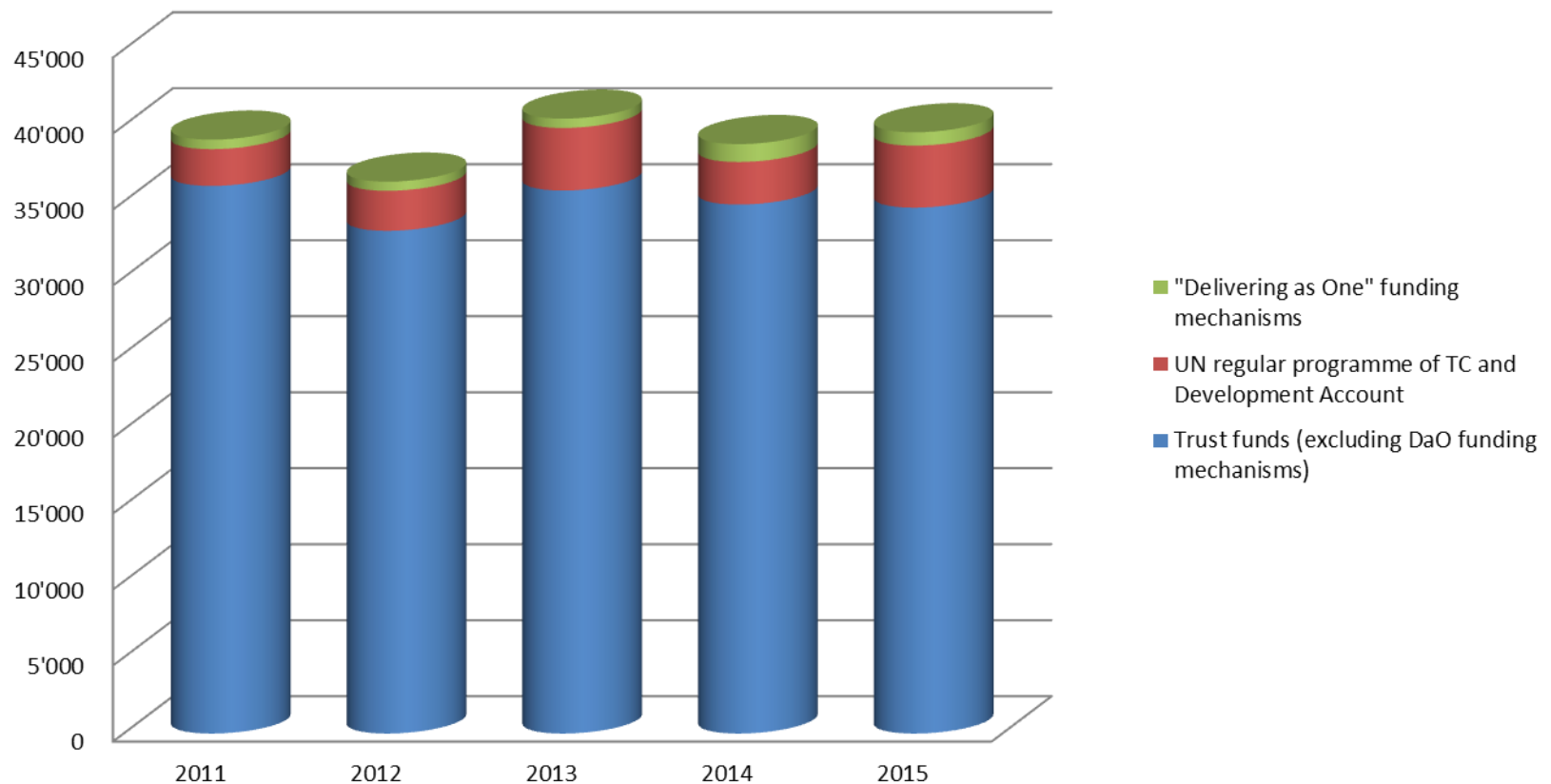
**Funding source:**  
**UN regular programme & Development Account**

- ❑ **UN regular programme of TC**
  - ✓ Expenditures of \$1.3 million in 2015 (+53%)
  - ✓ To finance advisory services and training: such as training on key international economic issues (para 166 of the UNCTAD X Plan of Action)
  
- ❑ **Development Account**
  - ✓ 23 projects implemented with a total expenditure of \$2.8 million in 2015 (+43%)
  - ✓ 10th tranche (2016-2019): \$2.9 million to finance 5 projects of UNCTAD



# TC expenditures: Overview

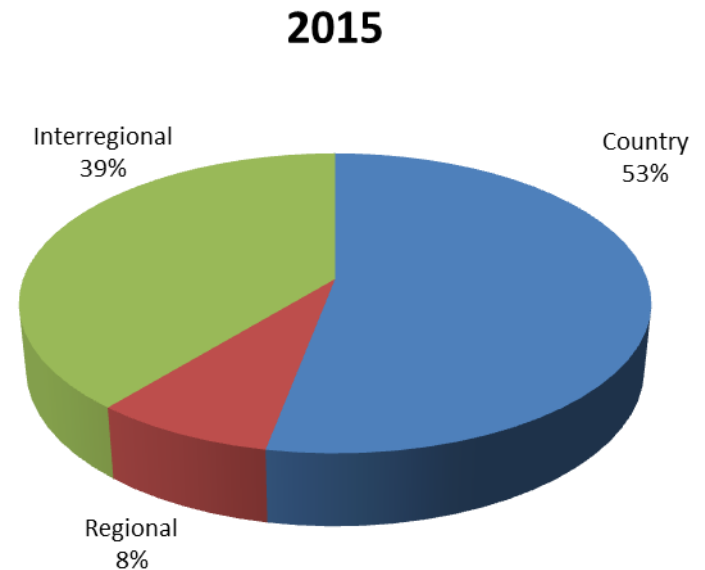
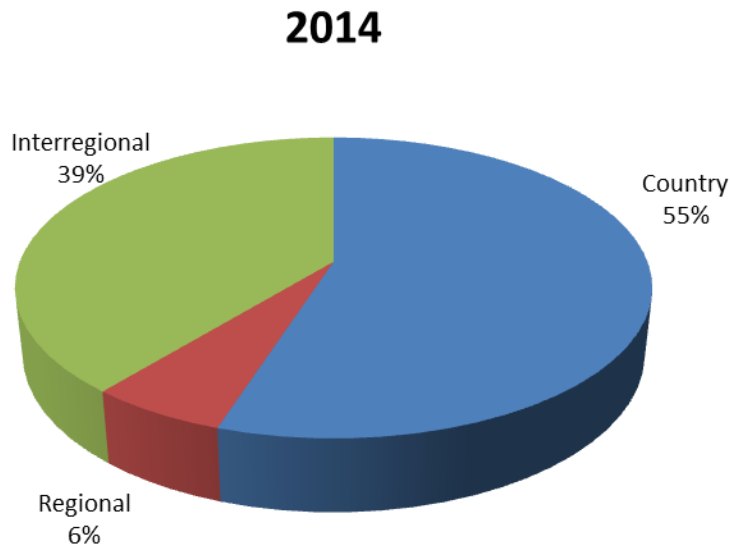
TC expenditures by source of funds, 2011-2015  
(in thousands of US dollars)



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# TC expenditures: Type of project

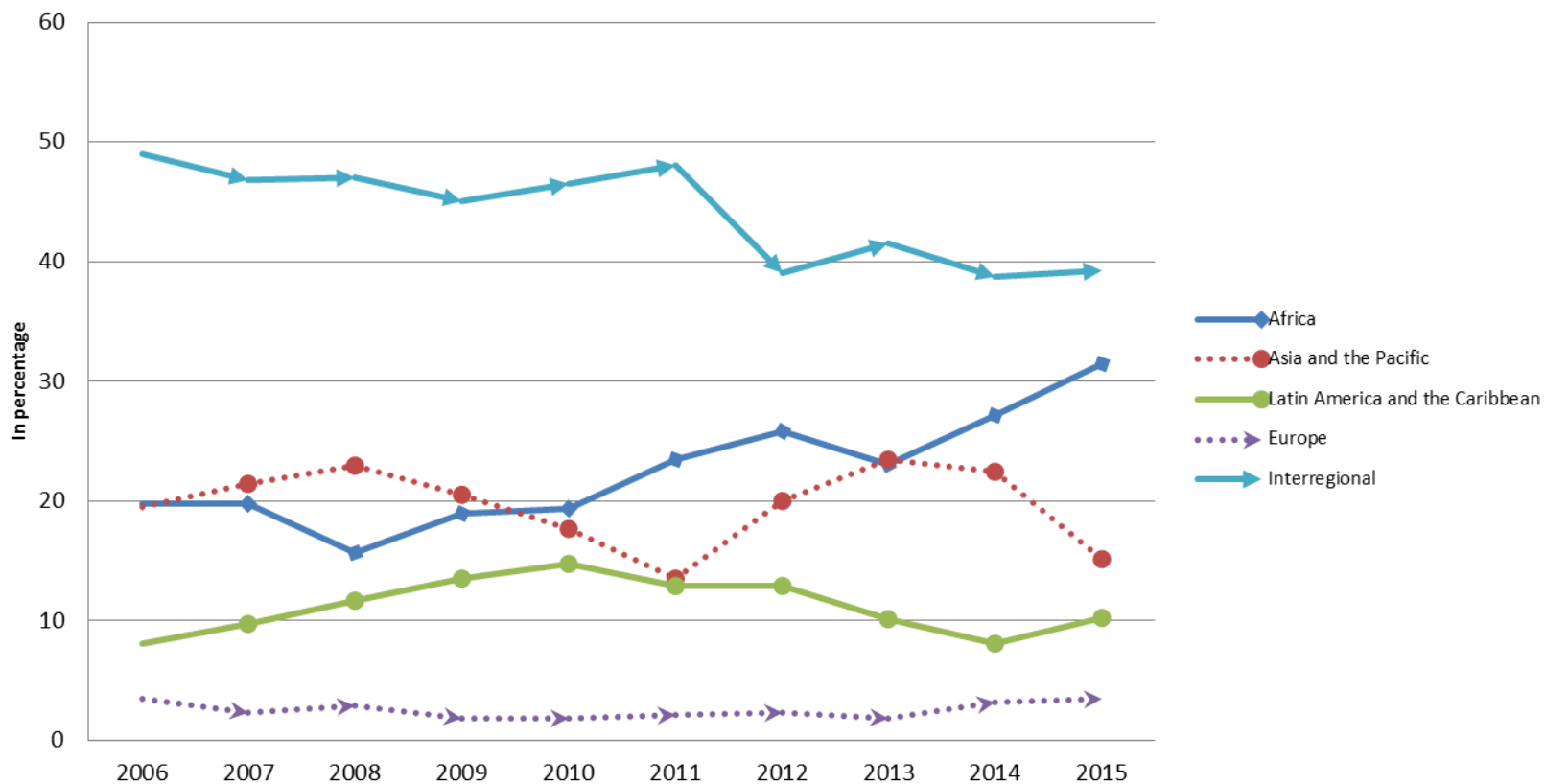
Technical cooperation expenditures by type of project  
(share of yearly TC expenditures)





# TC expenditures: Geographical distribution

Technical cooperation expenditures by region, 2006-2015  
(share of yearly expenditures)



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## **TC functioning: Follow-up to intergovernmental decisions**

- Thematic rationalization
- Synergies among the three pillars of the work of UNCTAD
- Interdivisional cooperation
- Inter-agency cooperation
- Requests from developing countries
- New initiatives to strengthen results-based management and evaluation
- Fundraising



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# TC functioning: Thematic rationalization



**Transforming economies,  
improving competitiveness**



**Tackling vulnerabilities,  
building resilience**



**Fostering economic  
efficiency, improving  
governance**



**Empowering people,  
investing in their future**



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## **TC functioning: Requests from developing countries**

### **❑ Funding Gap (01/2013 - 12/2015):**

About \$37.2 million to cover 39% of requests which were unfunded.

### **❑ Many UNCTAD TC products need funding support:**

STIP Reviews; Virtual Institute; DMFAS; TrainForTrade; Assistance to the Palestinian people; P166 programme; Trade policy framework reviews; Services policy reviews; Accession to the WTO, etc.

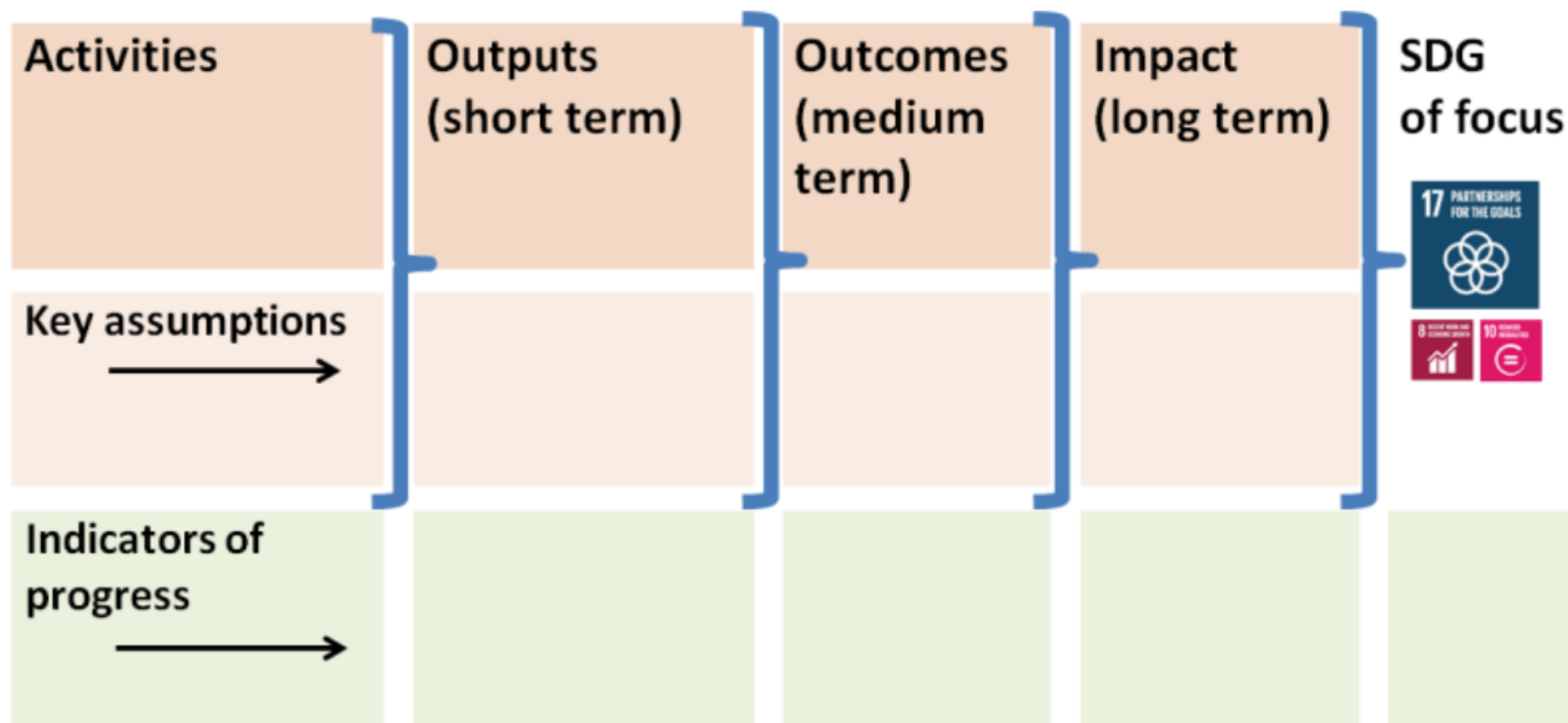
### **❑ Online database of formal requests for UNCTAD technical cooperation:**

<http://unctad.org/projects/tc/en/Pages/Requests.aspx>



## TC functioning: New initiatives to strengthen RBM

Minimum requirements for RBM in TC, including:  
results framework



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## **TC functioning: Contribution to UN system-wide coherence**

United Nations Inter-Agency Cluster on Trade and Productive Capacity: enhancing its role in the United Nations system-wide coherence.

### **□ Highlights in 2015:**

- ✓ Taking steps to establish a Multi-Donor Trust Fund to scale up activities of the Cluster;
- ✓ UNCTAD & ILO join efforts to address the pressing needs of governments on priority themes (e.g. trade and employment) which require comprehensive solutions;
- ✓ Participated in the formulation of a new generation of UNDAFs mainly in Europe and Central Asia with UNDAF cycles starting in 2016.



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## **Way forward: 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

- ❑ **New initiatives in 2016/17**
- ✓ To establish an organization-wide framework with minimum RBM standards for all TC programmes and projects.
- ✓ To establish new funding mechanism to better match the supply of funds to the demand for UNCTAD TC
- ✓ To further improve UNCTAD technical cooperation website
- ✓ To launch a UN Inter-Agency Cluster Multi-Donor Trust Fund on Trade and Productive Capacity



# Thank you!

For more information on UNCTAD technical cooperation:

<http://unctad.org/en/Pages/technicalcooperation.aspx>

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