

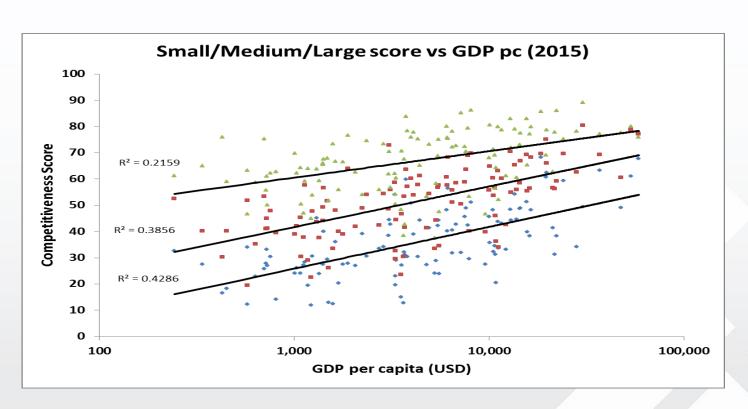
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SME competitiveness and sustainable development: ITC SME Competitiveness score and GDP per capita



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Complying with standards and regulations: **Action Plan**

SME and developing country ability to comply with standards and technical regulations necessary to trade will depend on:

- SME capacity to meet standard/regulation (intervening at firm level?)
- Local/national infrastructure related to testing, inspection and certification (intervening at national/sectorial/regional level?)
- Border procedures related to the control of certification (intervening at the border?)
- Access to relevant information (global e-platforms?)

See forthcoming (October 2016) ITC **SME Competitiveness Outlook 2016** with focus on standards and regulations:

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