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# **Subprogramme 3: International Trade and Commodities**

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## A. 2023 Strategic Orientation to contribute to the Bridgetown Covenant “TRANSFORMATIONS”



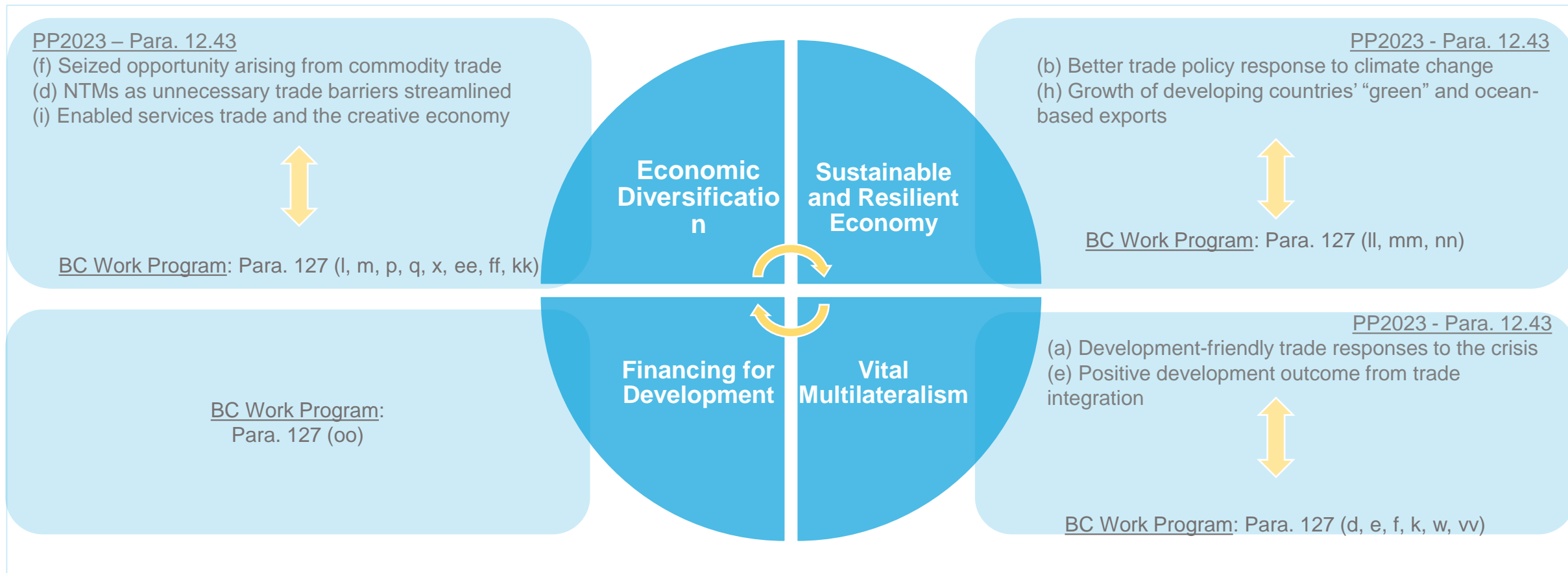
**Cross-Cutting** elements (Para.12.42 (d), (e) (f), (g))

Gender equality ad trade; Consumer protection; Competition policy; Monitor COVID-19 impact; Voice of the UN system on trade

**Objective** (Para.12.41)

“Ensure trade and commodities create a more inclusive, resilient, sustainable and prosperous world for all the member states”

## B. 2023 Expected Results to contribute to the Bridgetown Covenant “TRANSFORMATIONS”



### Cross-Cutting Expected Results Draft PP2023 – Para. 12.43

- **Gender equality and trade** - (c) Reduced trade barriers facing women and girls
- **Consumer protection and competition policy** - (g) CPC legislation and institutional frameworks implemented
- **Monitoring COVID-19 impact** - (j) Mitigated negative impact of the pandemic on trade

## C. Mainstreaming the Bridgetown Covenant in the 2022 activities

### VISION: Trade for People

**Inclusiveness** will be the focus for the coming year, out of 5 P's (People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace, and Partnerships) of the 2030 Agenda

### APPROACH

**Agility** (BC Para 110) → DITC will provide innovative work on today's trade and development challenge, adapting "to the spirit of the time"

e.g.,

- organizes the Illicit Trade Forum in 2022
- reorients the scope of a branch (TNCDB) to "Trading system, Services, and Creative Economy"

**Cross-fertilization** (BC Para 114) → DITC is committed to "promote synergies, complementarity and coherence" within the division, with other divisions and partner agencies

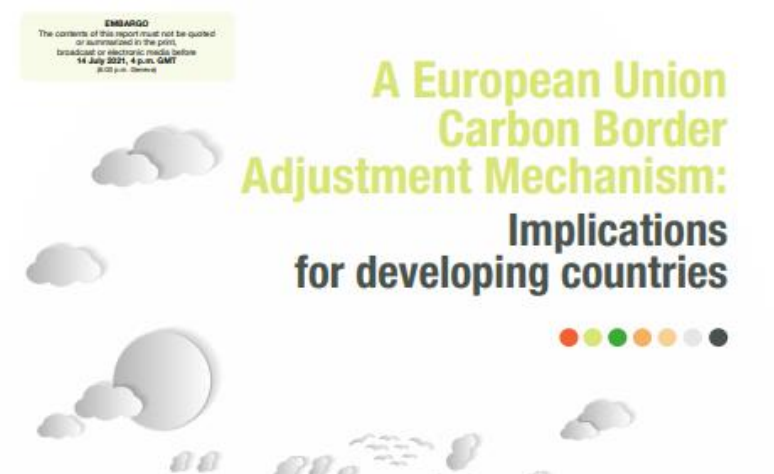
e.g.,

- releases more inter-branch analytical pieces and commentaries
- continues to contribute to the debate towards the WTO MC12 outcome

**Better outreach** (BC Para 116) → DITC will expand the choice of high-quality online discussion and training courses in [UNCTAD E-learning on Trade](#)

e.g.,

- Trade and gender, NTMs, RTAs provisions, Trade policy framework
- the Online Consumer Protection Dispute Resolution and Competition and SMEs, etc..



## D. Program Performance and the Deliverables

### PROGRAM PERFORMANCE

How DITC formulates the performance measures?

- Measured by (i) the type of impact and (ii) the number of countries;
- Open to suggestions for other measurements

Are the Bridgetown Covenant priorities reflected?

- Performance 2021 - Trade and Biodiversity: Contributed to transformations through diversification and to a more sustainable economy
  - Other outcome/Development Account [Global Initiative towards post-Covid-19 resurgence of the MSME sector](#) (2020-2022)
- Performance 2023 Results 1-3:
  - Ocean economy: Enhances transformation to a more sustainable economy ([4<sup>th</sup> Oceans Forum on trade-related aspects of the SDG14, 6-8 April 2022](#))
  - Transparency on NTMs: Enhances transformations through diversification
  - Climate policy and the AfCFTA: Enhances transformations through diversification and to a more sustainable economy

### DELIVERABLES

How DITC estimates the numbers of the deliverables in 2023?

- The numbers = the “minimum” boundary; the planned numbers < the actual deliveries
- Particularly for **Generation and Transfer of Knowledge** (seminars, publication, technical materials), **Consultative Deliverables** (consultation and advocacy) and **Communication deliverables**.
- Open to suggestions for better ways of measuring the deliverables.



# Thank you

