

Public Consultation on the Sustainable Impact Assessments (SIA) in support of free trade agreement (FTA) negotiations between the European Union (EU) and Malaysia



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Dear Stakeholder,

Thank you for your interest in the Sustainability Impact Assessment (SIA) in support of free trade agreement (FTA) negotiations between the European Union and Malaysia.

This survey is commissioned by the Directorate General for Trade of the European Commission (DG Trade) and is currently being carried out by DEVELOPMENT Solutions Europe Limited to assess how the trade and trade-related provisions under negotiation could affect economic, social, human rights and environmental issues in the EU and in Malaysia, as well as in other relevant countries.

The purpose of the survey is to collect information, views and opinions on the impact of prospective FTA on partner countries as well as on other relevant countries. In particular, it provides stakeholders with the opportunity to give feedback on the likely impact of the FTA on four sustainability pillars – economic, social, environmental, and human rights issues. The results of the survey will directly feed into the analysis of sustainability and sectoral issues.

Background information

SIAs are trade-specific tools developed for supporting major trade negotiations conducted under the aegis of the EU Commissioner for Trade. They are key tools used for conducting sound, evidence-based and transparent trade negotiations.

Importantly, SIAs are independent ex ante assessments carried out by external consultants during major trade negotiations. They feed into and steer the negotiations, assessing the changes that are likely to be caused by the trade agreement, helping to identify possible trade-offs, and ensuring that the related policy choices are optimised.

SIAs consist of two equally important and complementary components:

- (i) a robust analysis of the potential economic, social, human rights and environmental impacts that the trade agreement under negotiation could have, in the EU, in Malaysia, and in relevant third countries – including in particular developing countries and least developed countries, as well as Turkey;
- (ii) a continuous and wide-ranging consultation process which ensures a high degree of transparency and the engagement of all relevant stakeholders in the conduct of the SIA inside and outside the EU.

Further information can be found on the dedicated SIA website for the EU and Malaysia: www.eu-malaysia-sia.com.

Questionnaire instructions

All citizens and organisations are welcomed to contribute to this online public consultation. Central to the SIA is the evaluation of the potential economic, social, human rights and environmental impact of the FTA.

[1] Contributions are particularly sought from citizens and organisations active in related sectors.

When possible, we would appreciate receiving responses that describe specific cases and circumstances (for example for specific sectors, or countries), substantiated if possible by indicators and/or data. If you would like to provide any supporting documentation, please forward it to us at eu.sia.malaysia@gmail.com.

[1] For more information on the SIAs, please refer to the Inception Report: <http://www.eu-malaysia-sia.com/reports/>

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Country where you or your company/organisation is based:	

STAKEHOLDER TYPE:

- Government institution / authority
- International organisation
- Trade union
- Non-governmental organisation
- Business
- Trade association representing business
- Academia / think tank / research institutions
- Individual
- Other

If other, please specify

TRANSPARENCY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

To ensure that our public consultation is open and transparent, the report of the consultation will be published on the EU-Malaysia SIA and European Commission websites. This report will include a list of the names and organisations of parties that have contributed.

Contributions will be published on the European Commission website according to different categories: contributions from organisations registered in the Transparency Register,[1] contributions from public authorities and contributions from individual citizens or non-registered organisations.

Received contributions, together with the identity of the contributor, will be published on the Internet, unless the contributor objects to publication of the personal data on the grounds that such publication would harm his or her legitimate interests. In this case the contribution may be published in anonymous form.

[1] <http://ec.europa.eu/transparencyregister/public/homePage.do>

Please indicate if you agree to be named as a contributor to this consultation process.

at most 1 choice(s)

- Yes, my name and organisation
- Yes, my name only
- Yes, my organisation only
- No, my name and organisation may only be published in anonymous form

GENERAL SURVEY

QUESTION 1: Please describe the area of activity of your organisation / company.

- Business / Trade
- Social / Labour Rights
- Human Rights
- Environment
- Government Administration

Other

If other, please specify

QUESTION 2: In general, do you think the prospective FTA between the EU and Malaysia will have a positive impact in the partner countries?

- Yes
- No
- Partially
- I don't know

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments.

QUESTION 3: How do you think the FTA will impact the following areas?

	Very negatively	Negatively	Neutral	Positively	Very Positively	I don't know
Economy	<input type="radio"/>					
Social Conditions	<input type="radio"/>					
Human Rights	<input type="radio"/>					
Environment	<input type="radio"/>					

Please specify if you are answering this question for a specific country:

- Malaysia
- EU Member State
- Other (please specify)

If other, please specify

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments how the FTA will impact the economy

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments how the FTA will impact social conditions

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments how the FTA will impact human rights

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments how the FTA will impact the environment

QUESTION 4: Do you think that the FTA is likely to have an impact on economic issues?

	Very negatively	Negatively	Neutral	Positively	Very Positively	I don't know
Tariff reduction	<input type="radio"/>					
Removal of non-tariff barriers	<input type="radio"/>					
Trade in goods	<input type="radio"/>					
Trade in services	<input type="radio"/>					
Foreign direct investment	<input type="radio"/>					
The share of foreign ownership (throughout sectors)	<input type="radio"/>					
Import procedures	<input type="radio"/>					
Rules of origin	<input type="radio"/>					
Health and safety standards throughout the supply chain	<input type="radio"/>					
Animal welfare throughout the supply chain	<input type="radio"/>					
Intellectual property rights (IPR)	<input type="radio"/>					
Rules of procurement	<input type="radio"/>					
Trade remedies	<input type="radio"/>					

Regulatory convergence	<input type="radio"/>					
Transparency	<input type="radio"/>					
Corruption	<input type="radio"/>					
GDP	<input type="radio"/>					
Small & medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)	<input type="radio"/>					
State-owned enterprises (SOEs)	<input type="radio"/>					
Business mobility	<input type="radio"/>					
Global value chains	<input type="radio"/>					

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QUESTION 5: How would you describe the economic impacts from a prospective EU-Malaysia FTA?

QUESTION 6: Do you think that the FTA is likely to have an impact on social issues, including labour rights?

	Very negatively	Negatively	Neutral	Positively	Very Positively	I don't know
Employment	<input type="radio"/>					
Female employment	<input type="radio"/>					
Youth employment	<input type="radio"/>					
Wages	<input type="radio"/>					
Household incomes	<input type="radio"/>					
Transition from informal to formal employment	<input type="radio"/>					
Freedom of association and effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining	<input type="radio"/>					
The elimination of all forms of forced compulsory labour	<input type="radio"/>					
The effective abolition of child labour	<input type="radio"/>					
The elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation	<input type="radio"/>					
Social protection	<input type="radio"/>					
The quality of work contracts	<input type="radio"/>					

Labour governance (including the effective implementation of all ILO labour standards)	<input type="radio"/>					
Decent working conditions	<input type="radio"/>					
Safety at work	<input type="radio"/>					
Labour inspections	<input type="radio"/>					
Social dialogue	<input type="radio"/>					
vocational learning	<input type="radio"/>					
Poverty reduction	<input type="radio"/>					
Health conditions	<input type="radio"/>					
Gender-related issues	<input type="radio"/>					
Corporate social Responsibility	<input type="radio"/>					

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If other, please specify

QUESTION 7: How would you describe the social impacts from a potential EU- Malaysia FTA?

QUESTION 8: Do you think that the prospective FTA is likely to have an impact on human rights?

	Very negatively	Negatively	Neutral	Positively	Very Positively	I don't know
Freedom of expression	<input type="radio"/>					
Freedom of assembly	<input type="radio"/>					
Freedom of religion	<input type="radio"/>					
Freedom of torture and arbitrary detention	<input type="radio"/>					
Freedom of movement	<input type="radio"/>					
Right to an adequate standard of living	<input type="radio"/>					
Availability of essential goods or services (including, as a minimum: water; essential foodstuffs; clothing; essential primary healthcare; basic shelter and housing; and the most basic forms of education).	<input type="radio"/>					
Affordability of essential goods or services (including, as a minimum: water; essential foodstuffs; clothing; essential primary healthcare; basic shelter and housing; and the most basic forms of education).	<input type="radio"/>					

Right to enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health	<input type="radio"/>					
Right to education	<input type="radio"/>					
Rights of indigenous peoples	<input type="radio"/>					
Right to participate in public affairs	<input type="radio"/>					
Right to family life	<input type="radio"/>					
Right to a fair hearing	<input type="radio"/>					
Right to privacy	<input type="radio"/>					

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If other, please specify

QUESTION 9: How would you describe the human rights impacts from a prospective EU-Malaysia FTA?

QUESTION 10: Do you think that the FTA is likely to have an impact on the environment?

	Very negatively	Negatively	Neutral	Positively	Very Positively	I don't know
Air pollution (emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG), of carbon dioxide (CO2), of sulphur oxides (SOx), of nitrogen oxides (NOx), and of particulates)	<input type="radio"/>					
Waste production and waste management	<input type="radio"/>					
Energy use	<input type="radio"/>					
Energy resources	<input type="radio"/>					
Transport emissions	<input type="radio"/>					
Water resources	<input type="radio"/>					
Water quality	<input type="radio"/>					
Biological diversity (biodiversity)	<input type="radio"/>					
Environmental governance (including effective implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements)	<input type="radio"/>					
Use of agricultural fertilisers, land use, soil and livestock	<input type="radio"/>					

Agriculture	<input type="radio"/>					
Forest / forest resources	<input type="radio"/>					
Fisheries / fish resources	<input type="radio"/>					
Greening of the economy	<input type="radio"/>					
Climate change	<input type="radio"/>					
Environmental goods and services	<input type="radio"/>					
Urbanisation	<input type="radio"/>					
Climate-friendly technologies	<input type="radio"/>					

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QUESTION 11: How would you describe the environmental impacts from a prospective EU-Malaysia FTA?

QUESTION 12: Would you expect the prospective EU-Malaysia FTA to foster the development of environmental technologies?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments.

QUESTION 13A: To what extent do you agree with the following statement?

The prospective EU-Malaysia FTA will have a positive impact on economic development, including on poverty reduction and distribution of gains

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neutral
- Agree
- Strongly agree
- I don't know

QUESTION 13B: If you consider that the FTA is likely to have a positive impact in partner countries, what measures could maximise this impact?

QUESTION 13C: If you consider that the FTA is likely to have negative impact, what measures could mitigate this impact?

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- Malaysia

- EU Member State
- Other (please specify)

If other, please specify

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments.

QUESTION 14: Do you think that the prospective EU-Malaysia FTA is likely to impact the ICT products and electronic goods sector?

	Very negatively (--)	Negatively (-)	Neutral (o)	Positively (+)	Very positively (++)	I don't know
Overall impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Economic impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Social impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Human rights impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Environmental impacts	<input type="radio"/>					

Please specify if you are answering this question for a specific country:

- Malaysia
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- Other (please specify)

If other, please specify

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments.

QUESTION 15: Do you think that the prospective EU-Malaysia FTA is likely to impact the automotive sector?

	Very negatively (--)	Negatively (-)	Neutral (o)	Positively (+)	Very positively (++)	I don't know
Overall impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Economic impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Social impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Human rights impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Environmental impacts	<input type="radio"/>					

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- Other (please specify)

If other, please specify

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments.

QUESTION 16: Do you think that the prospective EU-Malaysia FTA is likely to impact the vegetable oils sector?

	Very negatively (--)	Negatively (-)	Neutral (o)	Positively (+)	Very positively (++)	I don't know
Overall impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Economic impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Social impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Human rights impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Environmental impacts	<input type="radio"/>					

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If other, please specify

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments.

QUESTION 17: Do you think that the prospective EU- Malaysia FTA is likely to impact the financial services sector?

	Very negatively (--)	Negatively (-)	Neutral (o)	Positively (+)	Very positively (++)	I don't know
Overall impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Economic impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Social impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Human rights impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Environmental impacts	<input type="radio"/>					

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If other, please specify

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments.

QUESTION 18: Do you think that the prospective EU-Malaysia FTA is likely to impact the environmental goods and services sector?

	Very negatively (--)	Negatively (-)	Neutral (o)	Positively (+)	Very positively (++)	I don't know
Overall impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Economic impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Social impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Human rights impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Environmental impacts	<input type="radio"/>					

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If other, please specify

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments.

QUESTION 19: Do you think that the prospective EU-Malaysia FTA is likely to impact the machinery products sector?

	Very negatively (--)	Negatively (-)	Neutral (o)	Positively (+)	Very positively (++)	I don't know
Overall impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Economic impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Social impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Human rights impacts	<input type="radio"/>					
Environmental impacts	<input type="radio"/>					

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If other, please specify

Please explain your answer or insert possible comments.

QUESTION 20: Do you think that besides the 6 sectors mentioned above, the prospective EU-Malaysia FTA could have significant impacts in other sectors?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

If yes, please specify

We thank you for your time and participation. Your input is much appreciated. If there are other issues related to the study on which you would like to provide your views, please do so below or email them to us at eu.sia.malaysia@gmail.com.

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