



Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note



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Population	Poverty rate	Ease of Doing
(millions)	(2010)	Business Rank
(2016)		(2016)
0.19	33.89	166.00

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	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
GDP growth (annual %)	_		_		_	
Current account balance	_	_	_	_	_	
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	_	_	_	_	_	_
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	1.7	2.4	8.7	8.0	_	_
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	_			_		_
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	_	_	_	_	_	_

Investment indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	_		_			_
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	_	_			_	
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	15.7	8.1	3.2	5.2	_	
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	63.6	35.8	NA	_	_	_

Trade Indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	_					_
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	_	_	_	_	_	_
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	_	_	_	_	_	_
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	5.6	4.2	4.3	3.4	_	_

Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015

Data not available



Source: World Development Indicators (WDI)

Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

Top 5 Exports by % of Total Value, 2014

Edible nuts (excluding nuts chiefly	Other food preparations containing		Motor vehicles for the transport of 1 Pepper of the genus Piper;
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Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014

Consumer goods		Intermediate goods	Capital goods
			13
	64	17	Raw materials 6

Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

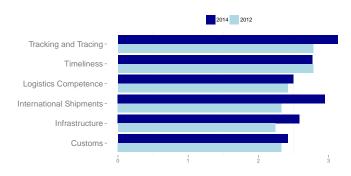
	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	120	121	-1
Ease of Doing Business Rank	163	166	-3
Enforcing Contracts	182	182	0
Getting Credit	185	185	0
Getting Electricity	111	115	-4
Paying Taxes	162	164	-2
Protecting Minority Investors	185	185	0
Registering Property	158	162	-4
Resolving Insolvency	161	158	3
Starting a Business	22	31	-9
Trading Across Borders	112	111	1

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

WEF Competitiveness Indicators (Scale 1-5, 5=best)

Logistics Performance Index (Scale 1-5, 5=best)

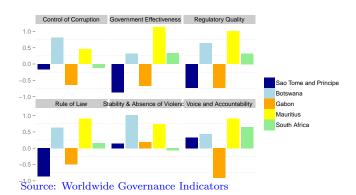




Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

World Governance indicators (Std. score, High=best)



Trade Policy

Import duties collected (%, 2010-2012) [1] 6.7 Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

Private Sector's Views

Enterprise Survey 2013

Key Subsection CountryCode Period Scale Observation Source IndicatorShort

Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

Top 5 constraints according to ES 2013 (% respondants)

Top 5 constraints according to WEF 2015 survey (% respondants among 88 executives)

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Source: Enterprise Survey 2013 Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

