



Midterm evaluation of the GSP Regulation

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The Commission has carried out a midterm evaluation of the current GSP Regulation (Regulation (EU) 978/2012), which has been in effect from 01 January 2014 and expires on 31 December 2023. The main objective of the evaluation is to assess whether the GSP Regulation is on its way to achieving its objectives:

- To contribute to poverty eradication by expanding export from countries most in need;
- To promote sustainable development and good governance; and
- To ensure better safeguards for the EU's financial and economic interests.

The evaluation was supported by an external study contracted with an independent consultant (Development Solutions).

The midterm evaluation will also act as the starting point of the reflection process for the reforms targeting the post-2023 GSP framework.

The adopted documents can be found below:

- [Final Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council](#)
- [Commission Staff Working Document](#)

The study of the external consultant can be found here:

- [Midterm Evaluation of the EU's Generalised Scheme of Preferences](#)
 - executive summary in [EN](#), [FR](#), [DE](#)