

**Section 3: Investment Survey: Please tick ✓ the relevant circle**

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1. State the amount of investment (please enter whole figures - no commas e.g. 1000000) in Euros in 2015:  
\_\_\_\_\_ Euros
2. State the amount of investment (please enter whole figures - no commas e.g. 1000000) in Euros in 2016:  
\_\_\_\_\_ Euros
3. State the amount of planned investment (please enter whole figures - no commas e.g. 1000000) in Euros in 2017: \_\_\_\_\_ Euros

**4. What kind of investment have you carried out this year (2016)? (choose one or more categories)**

- Replacement of worn-out plant/ equipment
- Extension of production capacity
- Investment designed to streamline production
- Other investment objectives (pollution control, safety, etc.)

**5. What kind of investment have you planned for next year (2017)? (choose one or more categories)**

- Replacement of worn-out plant/ equipment
- Extension of production capacity
- Investment designed to streamline production
- Other investment objectives (pollution control, safety, etc.)

**6. What effect did demand (sales prospects) have on your investment this year (2016)?**

- very stimulating
- stimulating
- no effect
- limiting
- very limiting
- don't know

**7. What effect do you think demand (sales prospects) will have on your investment next year (2017)?**

- very stimulating
- stimulating
- no effect
- limiting
- very limiting
- don't know

**8. What effect did the availability of financial resources/ expected profits have on your investment expenditure this year (2016)?**

- very stimulating
- stimulating
- no effect
- limiting
- very limiting
- don't know

**9. What effect do you think the availability of financial resources/ expected profits will have on your investment expenditure next year (2017)?**

- very stimulating
- stimulating
- no effect
- limiting
- very limiting
- don't know

**10. What effect did technical factors (technological developments, the availability of labour and its attitude towards new technologies or technical conditions set by public authorities) have on your investment this year (2016)?**

- very stimulating
- stimulating
- no effect
- limiting
- very limiting
- don't know

**11. What effect do you think technical factors (technological developments, the availability of labour and its attitude towards new technologies or technical conditions set by public authorities) will have on your investment next year (2017)?**

- very stimulating
- stimulating
- no effect
- limiting
- very limiting
- don't know

**12. What effect did other factors (such as government regulations/ incentives, taxation, possibilities of access to international markets etc.) have on your investment this year (2016)?**

- very stimulating
- stimulating
- no effect
- limiting
- very limiting
- don't know

**13. What effect do you think other factors (such as government regulations/ incentives, taxation, possibilities of access to international markets etc.) will have on your investment next year (2017)?**

- very stimulating
- stimulating
- no effect
- limiting
- very limiting
- don't know

***Thank you for participating***

***Please return the answered questionnaire to The Malta Chamber of Commerce, Enterprise and Industry by not later than Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2016 by post using the enclosed envelope or by fax on 21245223.***

***Earlier replies are much appreciated.***

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