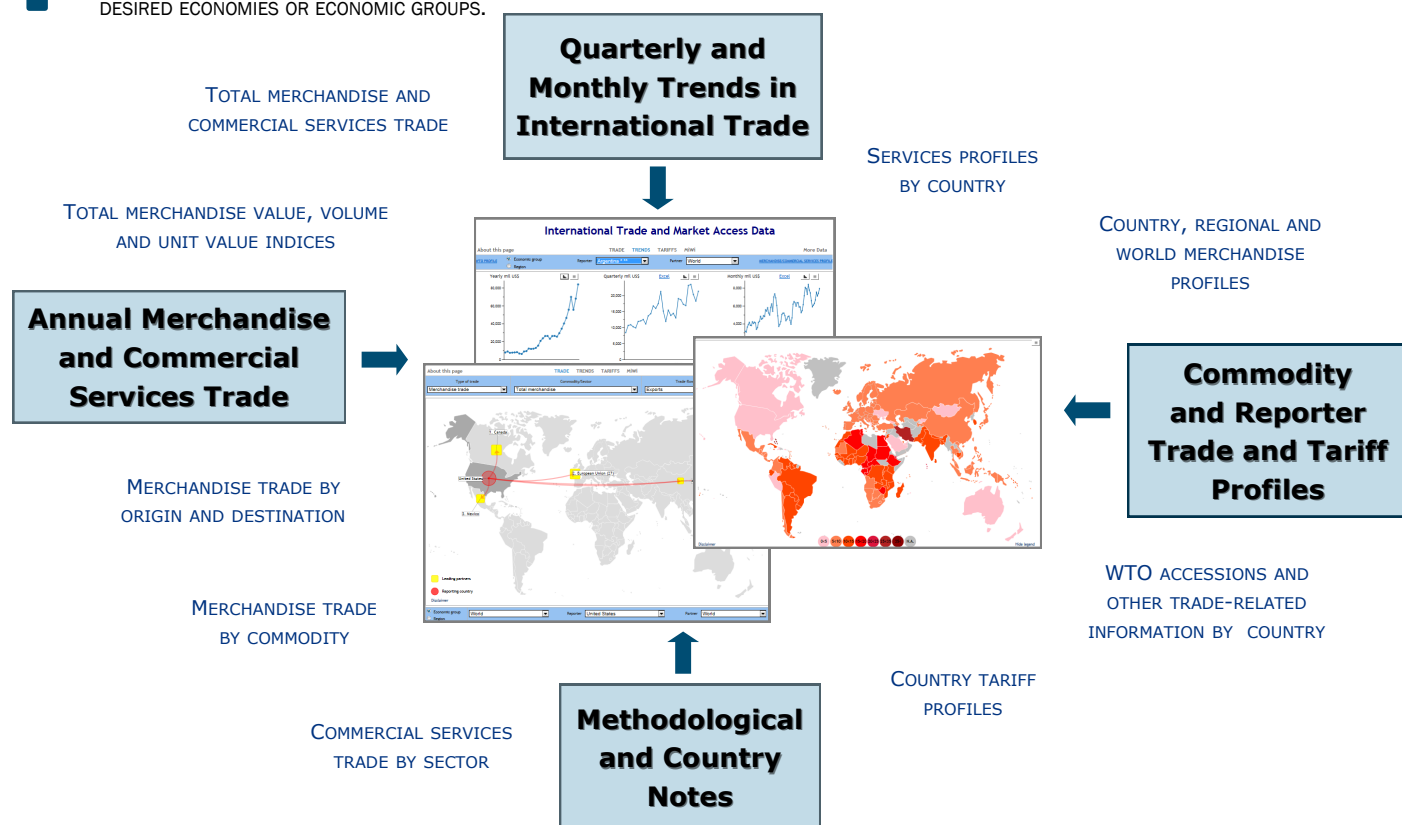


A NEW STATISTICAL AND INTERACTIVE TOOL TRADE AND TARIFF DATA ILLUSTRATED!

THE STATISTICS GROUP RECENTLY LAUNCHED A NEW TOOL CALLED “INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND MARKET ACCESS DATA” WHICH ALLOWS FOR INTERACTIVE ACCESS AND VISUALIZATION OF EXISTING AGGREGATED WTO TRADE AND TARIFF DATA MOST OF WHICH ARE EXTRACTED FROM THE STATISTICS DATABASE. THROUGH THE USE OF COLOURFUL MAPS, CHARTS, TABLES, ARROWS AND LABELS, THE TOOL ALLOWS FOR A MORE INTUITIVE WAY FOR USERS TO ANALYSE TRADE DATA, ALLOWING THE EXPORT OF ALL DATA BEHIND THE VISUALIZATIONS, AND A SEARCH FUNCTIONALITY TO SELECT ONLY DESIRED ECONOMIES OR ECONOMIC GROUPS.



THE TOOL CONSISTS OF FOUR ELEMENTS:

THE TRADE DASHBOARD THE LEADING TRADERS BY COMMODITY GROUP, SECTOR AND YEAR. DATA CAN BE SHOWN BY COUNTRY, BY REGION OR BY ECONOMIC GROUPING. THE DASHBOARD ALSO SHOWS THE LEADING PARTNERS OF SELECTED COUNTRIES.

THE TRENDS DASHBOARD SHOWS THE EVOLUTION OF TRADE BETWEEN THE SELECTED COUNTRY/REGION/ECONOMIC GROUPING AND A PARTICULAR PARTNER.

THE TARIFFS DASHBOARD DISPLAYS STATISTICS ON MARKET ACCESS FOR GOODS BY COUNTRY OR CUSTOMS TERRITORY, USING DATA FROM THE LATEST EDITION OF THE WORLD TARIFF PROFILES.

MADE IN THE WORLD PROVIDES INFORMATION ON THE WTO'S PARTICIPATION IN PROJECTS AIMED AT MEASURING AND ANALYSING TRADE IN TERMS OF VALUE ADDED.

THE DATA IS PRESENTED IN THE FORM OF INTERACTIVE MAPS, CHARTS AND DATA TABLES, USING ARROWS AND POP-UP BOXES TO DEPICT TRADE FLOWS AND TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. USERS ARE ABLE TO EXPORT THE DATA UNDERLYING THE GRAPHICS. WTO-RELATED INFORMATION FOR THE COUNTRIES, SUCH AS ACCESSION AND MEMBERSHIP STATUS, IS ALSO INCLUDED. A SEARCH FUNCTION IS PROVIDED IN THE DATA TABLE OF THE TRADE DASHBOARD TO ALLOW USERS TO SEARCH BY SPECIFIC COUNTRIES.

INTERNET BROWSERS

THE INTERACTIVE TOOL IS BEST VIEWED WITH FIREFOX, CHROME, SAFARI OR INTERNET EXPLORER VERSIONS 8 OR LATER. VERSION 7 OF INTERNET EXPLORER OR OLDER VERSIONS ARE NOT SUPPORTED. THE TOOL CAN BE VIEWED ON ALL MOBILE DEVICES RUNNING ON OPERATING SYSTEMS IOS 5 AND IOS 6 (AS USED BY APPLE) AS WELL AS ON ANDROID DEVICES AND ON WINDOWS MOBILE 8.

A DATABASE FOR NON-TARIFF MEASURES (NTM'S)

INTEGRATED TRADE INTELLIGENCE PORTAL (I-TIP)

THE INTEGRATED TRADE INTELLIGENCE PORTAL (I-TIP) REPRESENTS A NEW APPROACH TO TRANSPARENCY ON NON-TARIFF MEASURES. ANNOUNCED IN THE REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL TO THE 8TH MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE END OF LAST YEAR AS A COMPREHENSIVE, ANALYTICAL AND EASY TO USE ONLINE TOOL TO FACILITATE ACCESS TO TRADE POLICY MEASURES OF WTO MEMBERS, THE I-TIP WILL BE RELEASED TO THE PUBLIC IN MID-JANUARY, INITIALLY COVERING FOUR KEY NON-TARIFF MEASURE NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS. FURTHER NON-TARIFF MEASURES WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE COURSE OF 2013.

THE I-TIP PROVIDES A COMPREHENSIVE DATA WAREHOUSE APPLICATION THAT WILL PRESENT A UNIFIED POINT OF ACCESS TO ALL TRADE POLICY RELEVANT INFORMATION SOURCES IN THE WTO. IT WILL ENABLE EASY ELECTRONIC CROSS-REFERENTIAL EXTRACTION AND ANALYSIS OF NON-TARIFF MEASURES (NTMs). IT IS BASED (INITIALLY) ONLY ON EXISTING PUBLIC NTM INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN THE WTO, I.E., MAINLY NOTIFICATIONS COMPLEMENTED BY INFORMATION ON SPECIAL TRADE CONCERNS. I-TIP CURRENTLY COVERS MORE THAN 25000 TRADE POLICY MEASURES.

THE I-TIP APPLICATION SOURCES AUTOMATICALLY ALL RELEVANT DATA ELEMENTS FROM THE RESPECTIVE DIVISIONAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS. IT DOES NOT REQUIRE ADDITIONAL DATA ENTRY WORK. DIVISIONS WILL RETAIN OWNERSHIP OVER THEIR RESPECTIVE DATABASE CONTENTS. I-TIP IS DESIGNED TO BE OPEN FOR THE INCLUSION OF OTHER SOURCES OF NTM INFORMATION. FOR EXAMPLE, THE INCLUSION OF INFORMATION DERIVED FROM TRADE POLICY MONITORING, TRADE POLICY REVIEWS AND ACCESSIONS CAN BE ENVISAGED.

THE WTO NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MAPPED AGAINST THE RECENTLY APPROVED INTER-AGENCY NTM CLASSIFICATION TO ALLOW A BETTER INTEGRATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES' WORK ON NTMs. IN ADDITION, A DIRECT LINK TO WTO ONLINE TARIFF AND TRADE DATABASES HAS BEEN BUILT INTO I-TIP.

BY JANUARY 2013 THE FOLLOWING NTM NOTIFICATIONS ARE COVERED:

- TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE (TBT)
- SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES (SPS)
- SPECIFIC TRADE CONCERNS FOR TBT AND SPS
- ANTIDUMPING AND COUNTERVALUING MEASURES.

THE APPLICATION OFFERS USERS THREE WAYS OF ACCESSING THE NTM INFORMATION:

- GRAPHS TO OBTAIN SUMMARY INFORMATION BY MEMBER (OR GROUP OF MEMBERS)
- TABLES SHOWING SCOPE OF PRODUCT COVERAGE BY HS SECTIONS/CHAPTERS
- DETAILED LISTS OF MEASURES BASED ON USER DEFINED FLEXIBLE SELECTION THAT CAN BE EXPORTED INTO EXCEL FOR FURTHER PROCESSING.

IN THE YEAR 2013, THE MAIN FOCUS WILL BE ON BROADENING THE CONTENT OF THE DATABASE AND ON IMPROVING THE FUNCTIONALITIES. NOTIFICATIONS ON IMPORT LICENSING AND QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS AS WELL AS NOTIFICATIONS RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL COMMITMENTS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE COURSE OF 2013. IT IS ALSO PLANNED TO PROVIDE LINKS TO THE INFORMATION COLLECTED FOR THE TRADE POLICY MONITORING REPORTS.

A SIMILAR PROJECT IS BEING DEVELOPED IN THE AREA OF TRADE IN SERVICES.

TRADE POLICY COURSES AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, JULY - DECEMBER 2012

10-11 JULY 2012 BAKU, REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN	SCHEDULE OF CONCESSIONS AND COMMITMENTS ON GOODS
10 AUGUST 2012 GENEVA, SWITZERLAND	IDB AND CTS DATABASES AND TOOLS REFERENCE CENTRES PROGRAMME
10 AUGUST 2012 GENEVA, SWITZERLAND	MERCHANDISE AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES DATABASES REFERENCE CENTRES PROGRAMME
17-21 SEPTEMBER 2012 GENEVA, SWITZERLAND	ADVANCED COURSE ON REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS IN ENGLISH
24-27 SEPTEMBER ANKARA, TURKEY	NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON STATISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES STATISTICS
2-5 OCTOBER GENEVA, SWITZERLAND	ADVANCED TRADE POLICY COURSE ON MERCHANDISE TRADE, IDB, TRANSPOSITION OF WTO SCHEDULES OF CONCESSIONS
12 NOVEMBER 2012	WTO STATISTICAL DATABASES FOR THE
18-21 DECEMBER LA HABANA, CUBA	NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON STATISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES STATISTICS

THE **STATISTICS GROUP** SUPPORTS WTO MEMBERS AND THE SECRETARIAT WITH QUANTITATIVE INFORMATION IN RELATION TO ECONOMIC AND TRADE POLICY ISSUES. THE GROUP IS THE PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER OF WTO TRADE STATISTICS AND INFORMATION ON TARIFFS.

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