Implementing our mandates

The Accra Accord and the Doha Mandate
Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities (DITC)

- Technical assistance
- Consensus building
- Research and analysis
What is the purpose of our work?

To help developing countries use international trade as a tool for their inclusive and sustainable development and equitable integration to the global economy.

“Prosperity for all through trade”
What do we do?

We analyze, build consensus and provide technical cooperation on trade related matters that disrupt or enable inclusive and sustainable development and equitable integration of developing countries to the world economy.

“we think, we discuss and we deliver on trade and trade policy issues”
What is the substance of our work?

Knowledge
Who do we work for?

Policy Influencers

- Parliamentarians
- Academics
- Private sector
- Civil society
- Regional Integration Organizations
- I.G.O

Policy Makers

- Geneva based
- Capital based
- New York based
What is our context?

Growing:

1. International trade on goods and services
2. Participation of Developing countries in global trade and GDP
3. South-South trade
4. Relevance of NTM relative to tariffs
5. Relevance of value chains
6. Relevance Intra-firm trade
7. Number of RTAS and prospects for fragmentation of the MTS
8. Re-commoditazion of trade in many Developing countries
9. Climate change and deterioration of environment and biodiversity
10. Trade frictions as a result of exchange rate volatility and its impacts on tariffs; domestic mitigation policies, measures and private standards on climate change and national responses to food security
What is the political context?

- Political relevance and participation of developing countries in decision and rule-making
- Disparities between Developing countries
- Deadlocks in multilateral frameworks and hard rule making (weakening of multilateralism)
NTM

- Training, workshops and seminars
- Technical assistance
- Consensus building
- Multi-Agency Support Team (MAST)
- Data collection and classification of NTMs
- Definition and identification of NTMs
- Assessment of NTMs
- Research and analysis
- Expert meetings and Group of Eminent Persons
## NTM

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Competition policy

- Technical assistance
- Research and Analysis
- Consensus building
- Follow-up actions to the recommendations from the VER and the IGE
- Drafting of a new competition law/framework
- UPDATING MODEL LAW/Assessment of the country’s legal, institutional and policy framework in regards to competition
- Voluntary peer reviews (VER)
- Presentation of the VER during the IGE, as well as expert Meetings on competition and consumer protection issues
Trade in SERVICES

- Training, workshops and seminars
- Services negotiations support
- WTO accession support
- Technical assistance
- Consensus building
- Research and Analysis
- Services policy reviews and publications
- Expert Meetings and particular trade sessions of the TDC
The BioTrade Initiative: enhancing capacity to produce and trade value-added goods and services derived sustainably from biodiversity
Thank you!